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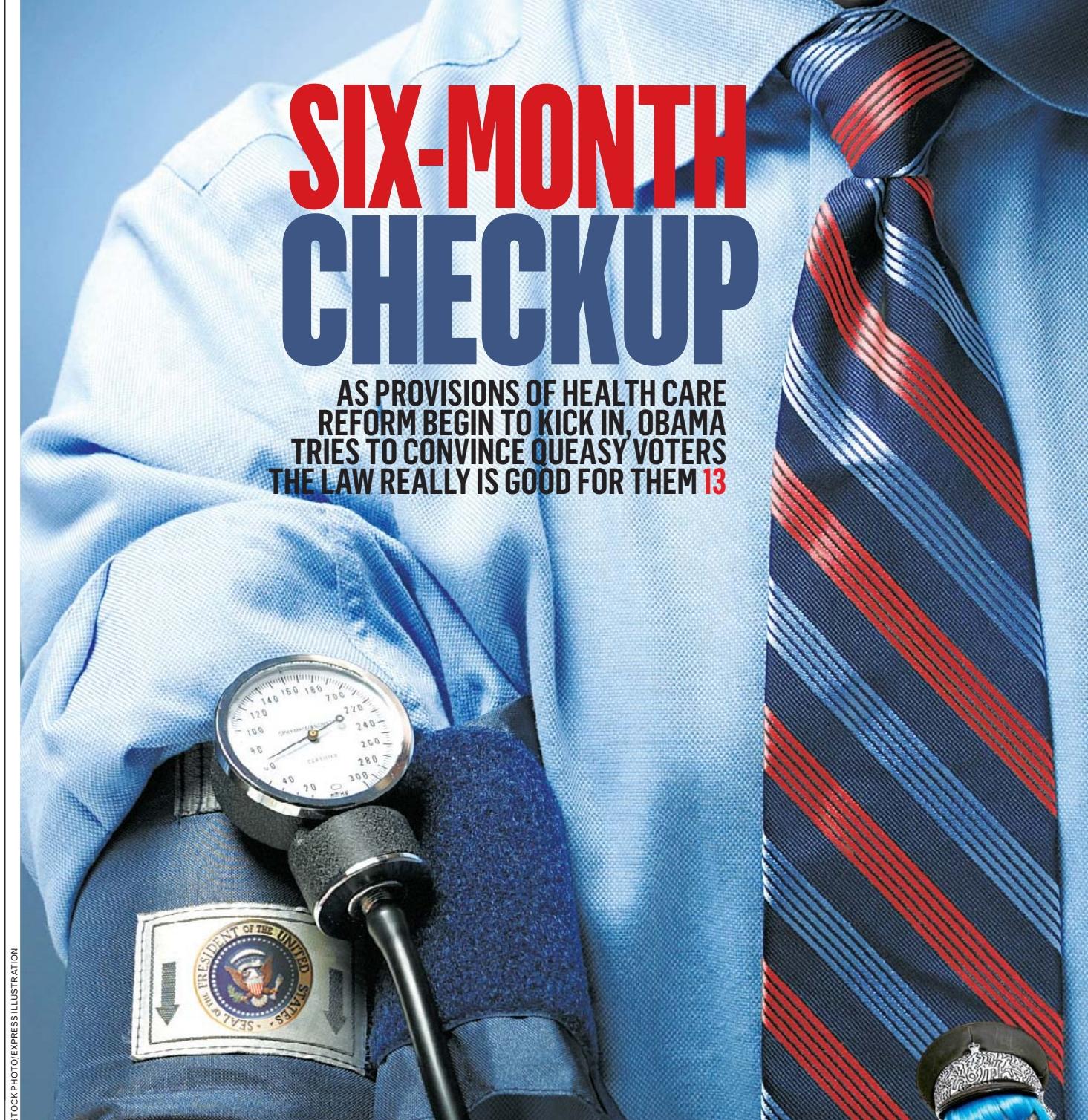
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A Fascinating Portrait of British Traffic

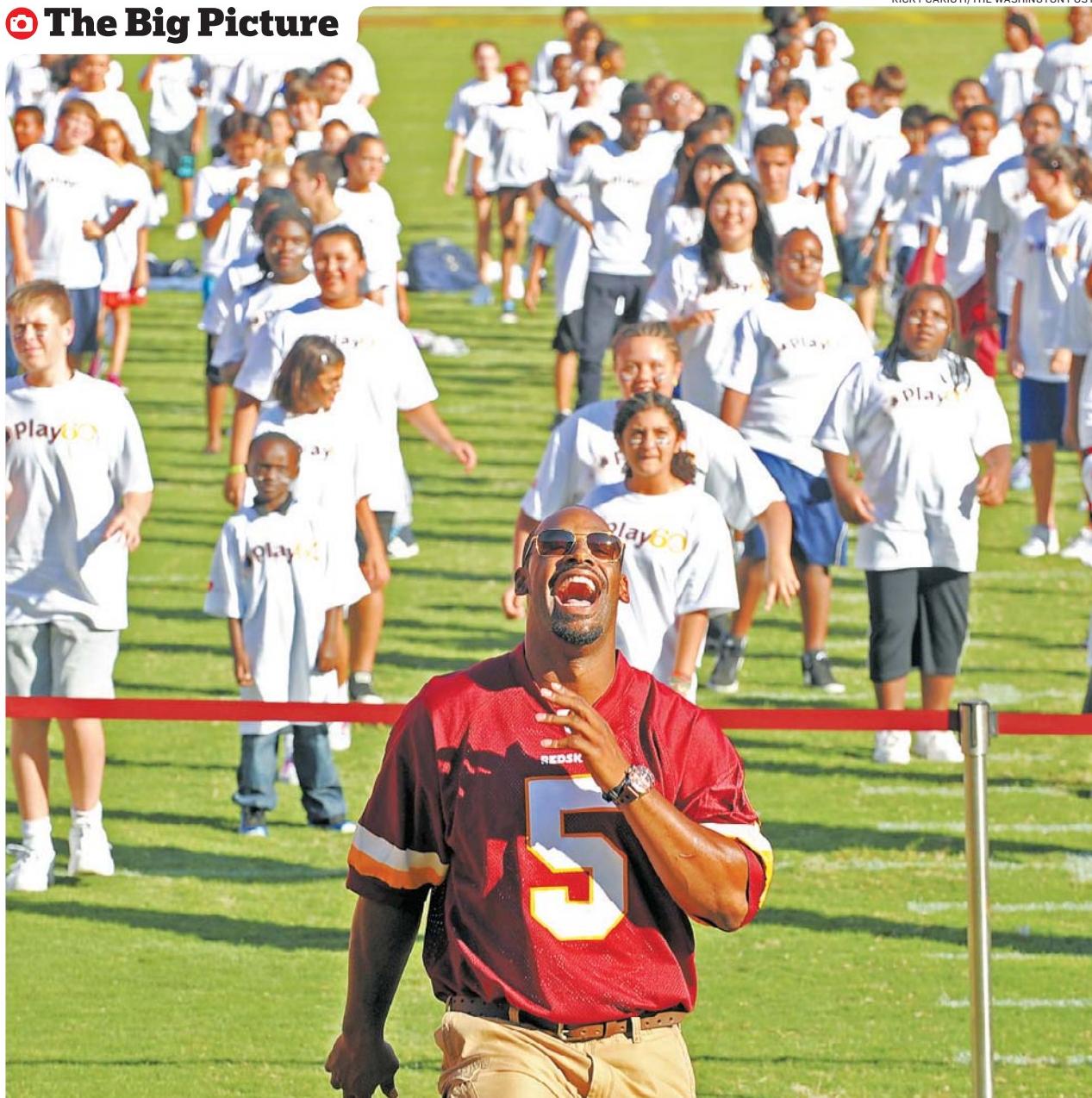
Boxes containing 16.8 tons worth of the "The Making of Modern Britain" were strewn across an English road after a truck overturned. The book is described by its publisher as "a fascinating portrait of life in Britain during the first half of the 20th century." (AP)

Tornadoes Feeling Taken for Granted

Hutchinson, Kan., authorities say a software glitch is to blame for the mistaken sounding of tornado sirens. The sirens are assigned local phone numbers and are activated when emergency workers dial them. The glitch opened the lines to outside calls, and residents who mistakenly dialed those numbers set off the sirens. (AP)



The Big Picture



REDSKINS QUARTERBACK Donovan McNabb laughs as he exercises with 1,000 children at FedEx Field on Tuesday in Landover. McNabb and other players helped out with an interactive group fitness session that established a Guinness World Record for the Largest Virtual Exercise Session. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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In Brief

MIAMI

Fla. Court Won't Enforce Ban on Adoptions by Gays

Florida will immediately stop enforcing its ban on adoptions by gay people after a decision by a state appeals court that the three-decade-old law is unconstitutional, Gov. Charlie Crist said Wednesday. Crist announced the decision after the 3rd District Court of Appeal upheld a 2008 ruling by a Miami-Dade judge, who approved the adoption of two young brothers by a gay couple. (AP)

LOS ANGELES

Audit Finds Bell Misused Millions in City Funds

The scandal-plagued city of Bell mismanaged more than \$50 million in bond money, levied illegal taxes and paid exorbitant salaries to its leaders, according to a state audit released Wednesday. The audit was made public a day after eight current and former officials of the blue-collar Los Angeles suburb were arrested for the charges. (AP)

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The number of N.Y.C. cabdrivers accused of ripping off riders by charging up to double the rate by switching to a higher suburban rate when they were in N.Y.C. (EXPRESS)

Book Unearths Friction Over War

Afghanistan's public, private perceptions detailed in new tome

Washington

President Obama's early attempts to seize control of a neglected Afghanistan war yielded a strategy that pleased almost no one and hasn't turned the tide of a conflict near its 10th year.

Just how contentious that plan has been, inside the Obama White House as well as outside, is captured in Bob Woodward's new book, "Obama's Wars." The account exposes the roots of an Afghanistan exit plan driven more by politics than national security and shows the president worried about losing the support of the public and his party.

"I have two years with the public on this," Obama is quoted as saying at one point, referring to what the administration still considers a finite well of public patience.

Such private fears have been aired publicly. Defense Secretary Robert Gates has said the United



"Obama's Wars" portrays the administration's aides as being deeply divided over war.

BOOK EXCERPT: **"This needs to be a plan about how we're going to hand it off and get out of Afghanistan. Everything we're doing has to be focused on how we're going to get to the point where we can reduce our footprint. It's in our national security interest. There cannot be any wiggle room."**

—PRESIDENT OBAMA, IN "OBAMA'S WARS," SPEAKING TO WHITE HOUSE AIDES AS HE LAID OUT HIS REASONS FOR ADDING 30,000 TROOPS IN A SHORT-TERM ESCALATION.

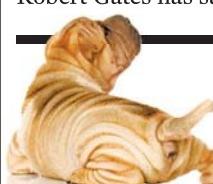
Meanwhile ...

The world's nations pledged more than \$40 billion to battle needless deaths among poor mothers and their children, and President Obama spoke at the Millennium Development Goals summit on Wednesday about what America can do to help. "In our global economy, progress in even the poorest countries can advance the prosperity and security of people far beyond their borders, including my fellow Americans." (AP)

States and its NATO partners must show clear progress by the end of this year or risk a collapse of public support.

The book reveals that Obama's aides were deeply divided over the war even as the president agreed to nearly triple troop levels in a gamble reminiscent of former President George W. Bush's Iraq war "surge."

"I want an exit strategy," Obama said at one meeting, as he and White House aides groused that the Pentagon brass was boxing him in. ANNE GEARAN (AP)



Poopy Power: Dog poop is lighting a lantern at a Cambridge, Mass., dog park. After dogs do their business, signs on two steel, 500-gallon oil tanks instruct owners to use biodegradable bags supplied on site to pick up the poop and deposit it. People then turn a wheel to stir its insides, which contain waste and water. The "Park Spark" poop converter uses the methane gas from the poop to fuel the tanks for the lamp. (AP)

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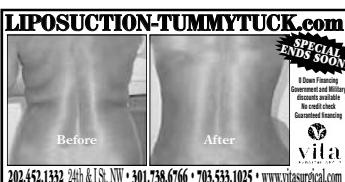
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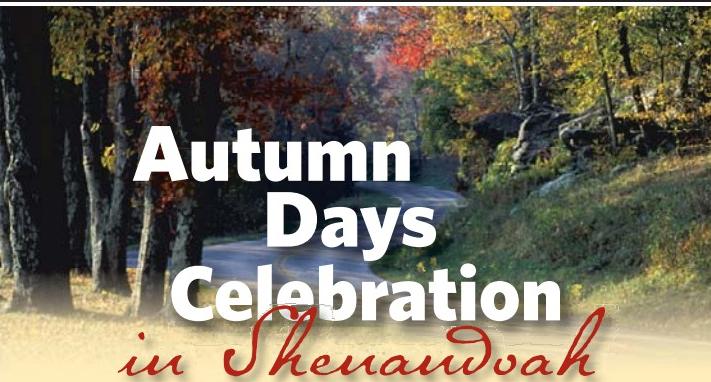
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Nation

Hill Examines Egg Woes

Owners of suspect farms hear victims' accounts of illness

Washington

The owner of one of two Iowa egg farms linked to as many as 1,600 salmonella illnesses declined to testify at a congressional hearing Wednesday, citing his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.

The CEO of Hillendale Farms, Orland Bethel, wouldn't answer questions before the House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on investigations. The owner of Wright County Egg, Austin "Jack" DeCoster, testified that he was "horrified" to learn that his products might have been the cause of the illnesses.

Hillendale Farms and Wright County Egg recalled a half-billion eggs in August after tests of products turned up potentially positive for Salmonella Enteritidis, the strain responsible for the recent outbreak. Wright County Egg oper-



Wright County Egg owner Austin DeCoster, left, shown with attorney Jan Kramer, testifies on Capitol Hill Wednesday at the "Outbreak of Salmonella in Eggs" hearing.

ates one of Hillendale's barns and supplies feed to the company.

Before lawmakers called Bethel to testify, two witnesses recounted how they were sickened by tainted eggs. Sarah Lewis, 30, a resident of California, said she still has diarrhea, fevers and stress in spite of a trip to the intensive care unit and several weeks of sickness after eating a custard tart at her sister's graduation banquet. Her sister also contracted salmonella

poisoning, she said.

"Knowing how sick we were scares the heck out of us now," Lewis said.

Carol Loboto, 77, of Littleton, Colo., teared up as she described a loss in stamina and constant indigestion.

The chairman of the subcommittee, Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Mich., said the outbreak paints "a very disturbing picture of egg production in America." (AP)

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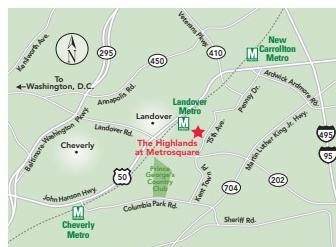
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Ga. Pastor Denies Sex Claims

Atlanta

As a Christian author, gospel singer and leader of one of the nation's best-known black megachurches, Bishop Eddie Long finds a wide audience for messages such as marriage is "between one man and one woman." Those words hung heavy Wednesday over accusations that the TV preacher, a married father of four, used jewelry, cars and cash to lure three young men into sexual relationships.

Lawsuits filed Tuesday and Wednesday say the young men were 17 or 18 years old at the time, enrolled in New Birth Mission-

ary Baptist Church's ministry for teen boys.

A lawyer for Long, who writes books on heterosexual relationships and has strong ties to Martin Luther King Jr.'s family, adamantly denied the allegations.

Few at Long's 25,000-strong church will discuss the situation, and the grounds were quiet Wednesday save for a small group walking in prayer. But those who will speak say they are supporting him.



Long

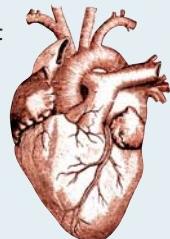
B.J. Bernstein, an attorney representing the plaintiffs, said she opened her investigation after getting a call from one of the men. Bernstein said all three — Maurice Robinson, 20; Anthony Flagg, 21; and Jamal Parris, 23 — have consented to making their identities public. She said she didn't trust local authorities to investigate the claims.

Long has been silent since the lawsuits were filed, though he did have a news conference planned for Thursday. But urban radio; Internet sites such as Facebook and Twitter; and cable television news shows have been abuzz. (AP)

Health Advances

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who need new heart valves but are too frail to survive the surgery might soon get a chance at an easier option — a way to thread in an artificial aortic valve without cracking their chests.



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In Brief



Thrill-seekers in Spain can choose to be chased by bulls with flaming horns.

MADRID

Bill Passes to Protect Flaming-Bull Tradition

Lawmakers who banned bullfighting in Spain's Catalonia region on the grounds of cruelty this summer voted Wednesday to endorse other traditions that have been criticized as cruel to bulls, such as attaching burning sticks to their horns as they chase humans. Wednesday's bill — approved by a 114-14 vote, with five abstentions — also protects other bull-related traditions in Catalonia that activists find repulsive. (AP)

LAGOS, NIGERIA

Pirates Kidnap Three After a Skirmish at Sea

In the latest act of piracy in the Gulf of Guinea, pirates armed with Kalashnikov rifles clashed with Nigerian navy forces in a failed bid to take over an offshore oil platform, then kidnapped three French employees of a marine services company while retreating, a Nigerian official said Wednesday. A Thai employee also may have been taken hostage by the pirates during the fight. No claim of responsibility for the attack has been made, officials said. (AP)

CIA Trained an Elite Afghan Unit

Book details use of highly paid forces to hunt down militants

Washington

The CIA has trained and bankrolled a well-paid force of elite Afghan paramilitaries for nearly eight years to hunt al-Qaeda and the Taliban for the CIA, according to current and former U.S. officials.

Modeled after U.S. special forces, the Counterterrorism Pursuit Team was set up after the U.S. invasion of Afghanistan in 2002 to penetrate territory controlled by the Taliban and al-Qaeda and

Meanwhile ...

Insurgents attacked a NATO and Afghan army outpost in eastern Afghanistan near the Pakistan border, and at least 25 militants were killed in the resulting skirmish, officials said Wednesday. Troops in Khost province returned fire with mortars late Tuesday, killing 25 to 30 insurgents, NATO said in a statement. Initial reports found no civilian casualties, it said. Gen. Raz Mohammad Horya Khil of the Afghan National Army said 29 insurgents were killed. There were no casualties among NATO or Afghan troops, he said. (AP)

target militants for interrogations by CIA officials.

The 3,000-strong Afghan teams are used for surveillance and long-range reconnaissance missions and some have trained at CIA facilities in the United States. The force

has operated in Kabul and some of Afghanistan's most violence-wracked provinces, according to a security professional familiar with the program.

The secret Afghan force has emerged as a new component of

ramped-up American counter-terror operations against the Taliban in Afghanistan and against al-Qaeda and allies over the border in Pakistan.

The U.S. military, including special operations forces, has been working with the CIA in an intensified crackdown against militants on both sides of the border.

The Afghan pursuit teams were described in detail in Bob Woodward's new book, "Obama's Wars," due out Monday.

The CIA-run Afghan units mostly work independently from CIA forces. The units coordinate their operations with NATO, the security professional said. (AP)

Blast at Parade Kills 12 in Iran

Tehran

A bomb exploded at a military parade in northwestern Iran on Wednesday, killing 12 spectators in an attack that one official blamed on Kurdish separatists who have fought Iranian forces in the area for decades.

The blast in the city of Mahabad also wounded 75 people, Iranian media reports said. Most of the victims were women and children, said provincial Gov. Vahid Jalalzadeh, who was quoted in a report by Iran's state broadcasting company. The parade was held to mark the 30th anniversary of the start of the Iran-Iraq war. (AP)

Mexico Busts Marijuana Plantations



LEE JIN-MAN/AP

A SOLDIER PATROLS IN A HAZE of smoke from burning marijuana plants on an illegal farm in northern Mexico on Monday. Authorities there discovered three illegal marijuana plantations during air patrol operations in the region.

Asylum Denied; 56 Iraqis Return

Baghdad

Several dozen Iraqis who failed to gain asylum in Europe returned to Iraq on Wednesday despite concerns the country is still too dangerous, the U.N. refugee agency said.

After a plane carrying deportees landed at the Baghdad airport Wednesday, 10 passengers refused to disembark and had to be escorted off the aircraft by police, an Iraqi airport official said.

The Iraqi official said 56 deportees were returned Wednesday from several European countries. (AP)

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Politics



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Death of Palestinian Spurs Rioting in Israel

Tensions in region climb after shooting; peace talks continue

Jerusalem

Crowds of Palestinian youths violently rampaged in east Jerusalem on Wednesday following the shooting death of a local man, clouding fragile peace efforts even as Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas signaled he may back away from threats to quit negotiations if Israel resumes West Bank settlement construction.

Wednesday's outburst comes less than a month after peace talks resumed, at a tense moment when



AHMAD GHARABLI/AP/GETTY IMAGES

Israeli police hurry to quell violence Wednesday outside Jerusalem's Old City.

those talks are facing possible collapse over Israel's plans to end its slowdown of construction in the West Bank.

The moratorium on building was declared in November to coax the Palestinians into talks with Prime Minister Benjamin

Netanyahu. Netanyahu said that the measure would end Sunday — and the Palestinians have threatened to walk away from the talks if this occurs.

On Tuesday, Israel's military chief warned that a collapse of the talks could lead to violence.

Clashes erupted in the Silwan neighborhood after a Palestinian man was killed by an Israeli security guard. Israeli police said the man, Samir Sirhan, 32, was shot after youths pelted the guard with stones. Rioting then spread.

The violence underscored the difficulty of bringing peace to Jerusalem — which will perhaps be the thorniest issue in the peace talks launched this month. (AP)



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Doubts Grow Over Games in India

Competitors express worries about health and safety measures

New Delhi

The Commonwealth Games chief rushed to New Delhi seeking emergency talks with the prime minister over India's preparations, as two competitors withdrew and England warned that the sporting event is on a "knife-edge."

Scotland and Canada said Wednesday they would delay their trips. No national teams have pulled out. The athletes' village, said to be unfinished and soiled with excrement, was to open Thursday.

Indian officials insisted that facilities would be ready for the Oct. 3 opening of the games despite concerns about unfinished buildings, security and dengue fever.

New Delhi has been a frenzy



KEVIN FRAYER/GETTY IMAGES

Frantic preparations continue for the Commonwealth Games, which open Oct. 3.

of activity as it struggles to meet the deadline.

On Tuesday, a bridge collapsed at the main stadium, injuring 27 workers. On Wednesday, part of a ceiling at another venue collapsed, officials said.

Commonwealth Games Federation President Mike Fennell

is due to arrive in New Delhi on Thursday, federation chief executive Mike Hooper said.

Andrew Foster, the chairman of Commonwealth Games England, said Wednesday "the next 24 to 48 hours is the critical time" to determine whether the standards of the village can be raised. (AP)

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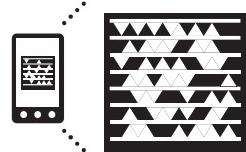
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Local

Historic Settlement OK'd

Judge gives approval to \$8.25M award for '02 illegal D.C. arrests

Washington

A federal judge gave final approval Wednesday to a settlement in which the D.C. government will pay \$8.25 million to almost 400 protesters and bystanders swept up in a mass arrest at Pershing Park during a September 2002 demonstration against the World Bank.

Together with \$13.7 million approved in April for another 700 people arrested by D.C. police using



LUCIAN PERIN/STWP

Nearly 400 protesters were involved in a mass arrest at Pershing Park in 2002.

similar tactics in April 2000, the \$22 million paid by the D.C. government is the largest protest settlement ever paid out by a municipal government in the United

States, according to the Partnership for Civil Justice Fund, which brought the cases.

U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan of the District said the "historic settlement" would help protect "future generations of protesters" and their "First Amendment rights in the way, I am sure, the founders intended."

The agreement settles complaints that D.C. police violated the constitutional rights of 386 people arrested without warning in Pershing Park on Sept. 27, 2002, leaving some hog-tied wrist to ankle and detained as long as 24 hours.

SPENCER S. HSU (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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LINDA DAVIDSON/TWP

A FRENCH BULLDOG named Henry, left, and Stryker the pugle hang out with their owners at the H Street Festival in D.C. on Saturday. Some are now questioning whether pets should be allowed at street festivals after a dog was killed at an Adams Morgan neighborhood festival Sept. 12. | [postlocal.com](#)

Colbert, Stewart Expect 60,000 For D.C. Rallies

Washington

Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert are anticipating bigger crowds than previously expected at their rallies on the National Mall.

"The Daily Show" host Jon Stewart announced last week that he plans a "Rally to Restore Sanity" in Washington on Oct. 30. Colbert, host of Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report," says he's holding a "March to Keep Fear Alive."

National Park Service spokesman Bill Line said Wednesday the organizers for the events have amended the number of people they expect on their permit application from 25,000 to 60,000. (AP)

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Local**Lorton Fire Kills Adult, 2 Children****Lorton, Va.**

A Fairfax County mother lowered three of her children out of a burning townhouse to safety Wednesday morning, but she and her other two children were then killed by the blaze, Fairfax fire officials said.

Seven people — a woman, her five children and a man — lived in the townhouse on Hagel Circle in the Lorton area just off Route 1. The fire was reported at 8:30 a.m., Fairfax fire spokesman Dan Schmidt said. When firefighters arrived, the man and three of the children had already escaped from the blaze, Schmidt said.

Firefighters used a ladder to enter the second floor of the burning townhouse and found the three deceased victims, Schmidt said.



WENDY GALT/TWP

Firefighters battle a blaze that killed a mother and two of her kids in Virginia.

Their names and ages were not available Wednesday afternoon.

Investigators have not been able to enter the burned home yet to determine a cause of the fire, Schmidt said. **TOM JACKMAN AND JENNIFER BUSKE (TWP)**

DC Rider

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Cover Story

Re-Selling Health Reform

With the public still skeptical, Obama revives his sales pitch

Falls Church, Va.

Blaming himself for coolness to his health care overhaul, President Obama is seeking to reintroduce the law to voters who don't much like or understand it six months after he signed it.

The White House gathered patients from around the country who have benefited from the measure, and the president rolled up his sleeves to address them Wednesday in a sunny Virginia backyard, highlighting changes that take effect at the six-month mark on Thursday.

"We just got to give people some basic peace of mind," the president said,

"I thank you from the bottom of my heart," Norma Byrne of Vineland, N.J., told the president, explaining she was benefiting from the law's provisions that are closing a Medicare coverage gap for prescription drugs.

But such gratitude isn't the norm.

A new Associated Press poll finds high levels of misunderstanding about what's actually in the law, and more people opposed than in support.

And with crucial midterm elections six weeks away, the only Democrats running ads about the historic legislation are the ones who voted "no."

"The six-month anniversary of ObamaCare will be a lonely one for President Obama and congressional Democrats," Republican National Committee Chairman



President Obama shakes hands with an attendee of a backyard discussion on health care reform in Falls Church, Va. on Wednesday. Many reforms take effect this week.

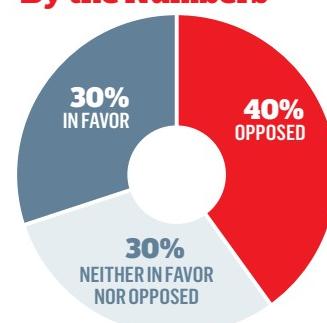
Health Care Changes

Some Immediate Effects

The biggest changes in the legislation, such as the new purchasing pools and requirement for everyone to carry insurance, don't kick in until 2014. Among changes taking effect this week:

- ▶ Young adults can remain on family health plans until they turn 26.
- ▶ Free immunization provided for kids.
- ▶ Free preventive care provided, such as mammograms and cholesterol screenings.
- ▶ No more lifetime coverage limits, and annual limits start to phase out.
- ▶ Plans can't cancel coverage for people who get sick.
- ▶ No denial of coverage for kids with pre-existing health conditions.

By the Numbers



Mixed Opinions

A new AP poll finds mixed views and confusion over the nearly \$1 trillion law to extend health coverage. A quarter of respondents wrongly think it contains "death panels" of bureaucrats making decisions on patient care, and 65 percent believe budget analysts said it would increase the government's debt. In fact, analysts said it would cut red ink. (AP)

Michael Steele said Wednesday. "The president's plan was unpopular when it was passed in March, and today the wholesale takeover of the American health care system is undeniably radioactive."

Obama ruefully told his listeners, "Sometimes I fault myself for not being able to make the case

more clearly to the country."

Still, he took on Republicans who want to repeal the law, daring them to tell that to a cancer patient covered by a new high-risk pool, or a parent whose child was able to get insurance despite a pre-existing health condition.

"It makes sense in terms of

politics and polls," Obama said of the GOP position on his legislation. "It doesn't make sense in terms of actually making people's lives better."

Yet politics and polls are a major concern for Democrats who are on the ballot in November — elections for every House seat and a third of the Senate. And Democrats aren't seeing the political benefit Obama promised them when he told them they'd be proud to campaign on the measure.

The White House is playing down the significance of the new law as a campaign issue.

"Health care will play a role in individual campaigns, but this is not an election about health care," Dan Pfeiffer, White House communications director, said in an interview. "This is an election about jobs and the economy."

Agreeing that the economy is the foremost concern, Obama nonetheless insisted Wednesday, "Health care was one of those issues that we could no longer ignore." ERICA WERNER (AP)



Obama's personal plea: The president dug into his own history as he sought to relate to voters. Obama described his mother's struggle with ovarian cancer that killed her, wondering aloud whether she might have had a better outcome with better insurance coverage. He talked about daughter Sasha's bout of meningitis, and his feeling of desperation. He said he had thought to himself, "What if I hadn't had insurance?" (AP)

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Hall Gets a Pass on Remarks

Haslett says he's open to making changes after player's outburst

The Redskins

Everything is cool between defensive coordinator Jim Haslett and cornerback DeAngelo Hall, whose aggressive attitude is a very good thing, Haslett said Wednesday.

Addressing reporters for the first time since Hall caused a stir Monday in announcing his plans to cover opponents' top receivers for the remainder of the season, Haslett quickly moved to end speculation of a rift between him and the team's top cornerback. In fact, Haslett loves Hall's approach, Haslett said, and he wishes every

"The good corners I've been around all have that mentality."

— JIM HASLETT, THE REDSKINS DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR, ADDRESSING DEANGELO HALL'S COMMENTS THIS WEEK ABOUT HOW HE WANTED TO COVER OPPONENT'S TOP RECEIVERS.

Redskins defensive player had the same attitude as the two-time Pro Bowler.

"I'd be disappointed if he didn't have that mentality," Haslett said. "And I give all the credit for saying that, to be honest with you. He's a guy. ... I think he's playing at a high level right now. He's doing a heck of a job. I think there are times when you can do that [have Hall shadow one player all game] based off formations, there's times that you can't. In training camp, he flip-flopped all over the place."

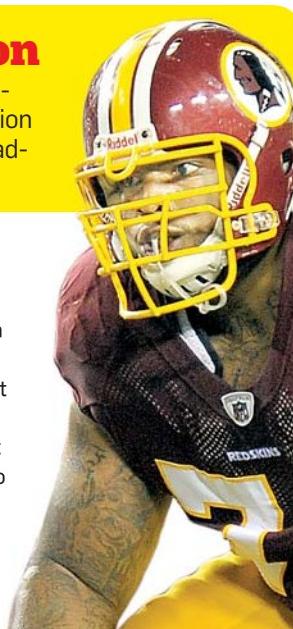
"The problem you get is, you

O-Line in Question

As the team gets ready for St. Louis, there appears to be three question marks on the offensive line. Let's address them one at a time.

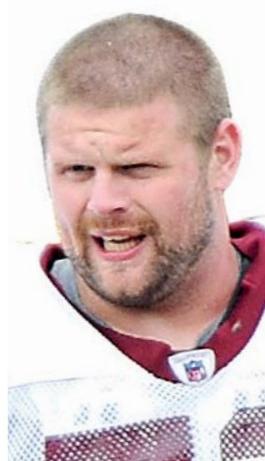
Left Tackle

Rookie Trent Williams suffered a knee sprain late in the game against the Houston Texans. The No. 4 pick in the draft wasn't able to practice Wednesday. If Williams isn't able to go, it's likely that Stephon Heyer — not Jammal Brown — would replace him at left tackle. Brown, who appeared in two Pro Bowls as a left tackle, said he hasn't taken any reps at that position since joining the Redskins. "Trent's a good player, but Stephon is over there, too," Brown said.



Left Guard

Coaches have been alternating Derrick Dockery and Kory Lichtensteiger, left at left guard. Neither player has been told who will start at left guard Sunday at St. Louis, they said. Both said they were surprised Lichtensteiger has seen so much time. "But what are you going to do about it? You going to cry about it?" Dockery asked. "Kory deserves a shot. I thought he played a really good preseason, had a really good offseason," Dockery continued. "Coach said he wanted to give him a shot."



Right Tackle

While Casey Rabach and Artis Hicks appear to have center and right guard nailed down, there are some questions about the right tackle spot. Coaches had been rotating Heyer in to replace Brown, right, during the first two games. But if Heyer moves to left tackle to replace Williams, Brown might have to play four full quarters for the first time since 2008. And he concedes that he's still adjusting to the right side of the line.



get in some nickel, and the guy goes inside that you're trying to lock down. He hasn't been in there. You give away [something] sometimes when you play man-to-man. So, there's different reasons to do it, there's different reasons not to do it. But I do like his attitude. And I do think that the good corners in this league have that type of attitude."

And as for Hall saying, "this my team. This my defense," well, Hall is right, Haslett said.

"Hey, it is their team," he said. "The players play. Coaches, we coach. We try to get 'em to do things right. Line up, do the things the way you want 'em to. The only satisfaction I get out of it? When they do it right. It's not like when I played."

"When I played, I could go out there and do it. I can't physically do it anymore. I got to go rely on them to do it right. When they do it right, we're pretty successful. And we'll be fine. So it is the players' team, to be honest with you."

Hall, however, realizes he must play within the confines of the scheme, Haslett said. "It's based off of where they line them up, a lot of different things, and he understands that," Haslett said. "He's a bright enough guy that he understands that."

"I know his frustration in the game — he got no balls his way. They were throwing all to the opposite side. They were throwing to the left, left, left. And they didn't do much to the right."

Is Haslett willing to tweak the scheme in an effort to accommodate Hall?

"You know what? I'm open to anything," Haslett said. "As a coach, we'll do what's best for the team."

JASON REID (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief



The Redskins were rumored to be interested in acquiring Vincent Jackson.

PRO FOOTBALL

Jackson's Agent Had Deals, but WR Stays Put

The agent for holdout Vincent Jackson says he had deals in place with multiple teams but the San Diego Chargers couldn't agree to compensation for the Pro Bowl wide receiver. Neil Schwartz says the legal language with one team — possibly the Minnesota Vikings — was already drawn up and ready for Jackson to read and sign. That was a one-year deal with an option, with an average salary of more than \$9 million. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

Raiders Tap Gradkowski

Bruce Gradkowski began practice taking first-team snaps at quarterback for the Oakland Raiders in a sign that he will start this week at Arizona after replacing Jason Campbell at halftime last week in a 16-14 win over St. Louis. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

Hamstring Grounds Revis

Revis Island will be deserted for at least one game. New York Jets cornerback Darrelle Revis will not play against the Miami Dolphins (2-0) on Sunday night, because of his strained left hamstring. (AP)

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Anti-BCS Group Fights Tax Status of Top Bowls

Playoff PAC, a political action committee that wants the BCS replaced with a championship playoff system, plans to file a complaint with the Internal Revenue Service on Thursday against the operators of the Fiesta, Sugar and Orange bowls, accusing the three BCS bowls of violating their tax-exempt status. (AP)



Hooked With Horns: Texas and Maryland will play football games in 2017 and 2018, giving the Longhorns their first ACC opponent since 2002. The schools announced Wednesday that the Terrapins will travel to Austin in 2017, with Texas making the trip to Maryland a year later. The game in Maryland is expected to be played at FedEx Field. Texas leads the series with Maryland 3-0, with victories in 1959, 1960 and 1978. (AP)

Sports

Ravens' Flacco Shakes off His Rough Start



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Pro Football

For the first time in his NFL career, Baltimore Ravens quarterback Joe Flacco must rebound from a four-interception performance.

Rather than treat it as a daunting task, Flacco is practicing this week as if last Sunday's debacle against the Cincinnati Bengals never happened.

"For us players, the game's over as soon as we leave the locker room. There's not much you can do about it after the fact," he said Wednesday. "You have to move on to the



ED REINHOLD/AP

Joe Flacco had a miserable 23.8 quarterback rating against the Bengals last week.

next week, focus on that opponent and try to get a win."

Flacco's career-high four interceptions contributed heavily to

a 15-10 defeat. After poring over the game film and studying each one of the pickoffs, the third-year quarterback lamented only one of

those errant passes.

"The second one I threw was bad. Other than that, they made some plays," Flacco said. "I don't want to throw any of them, but I don't think they were bad throws."

Fair enough, but the Ravens expected much more from their offense after adding wide receivers Anquan Boldin and T.J. Houshmandzadeh to a unit that last year depended heavily on the run.

Two games into the season, Baltimore (1-1) has scored only two touchdowns and is a .500 team despite fielding a defense that has not yet allowed the opposition to reach the end zone.

DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

TV Lineup

NATIONALS (4:30 P.M., MASN)

Before getting the chance to play spoilers in the NL East race, the Nats wrap up their four-game series against the Houston Astros with a matinee.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL (7:30 P.M., ESPN) Number 19 Miami seeks to stay in the top 25 while Pittsburgh shoots for a spot in the rankings when the teams play in a non-conference game in the Steel City.

PREP FOOTBALL (7 P.M., ESPN2) In a battle of Florida high schools, South Lake visits Apopka in a game being shown on national television.
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Is Kasten's Time Running Out in D.C.?

Nats president mulls exit as his frustration with Lerners grows

The Nationals

For the past five years, the public face of the Nationals has been president Stan Kasten. Like a pit bull with a law degree, he has stood on the front step of Nationals Park and defended the team and its owners, the Lerner family, from every criticism. Will he still be there, on guard, next Opening Day?

Or, after a season of agonizing about his future, will he leave after his obligations to the Nats are over

at the end of this year?

"I can honestly tell you that no decision has been made," Kasten said. "Remember, I am the master of misdirection."

Although friends, family and baseball associates know he has been reconsidering his future with the Nats for months, and some are certain he already has decided to leave, Kasten may still want to keep his options open. And as a result, he will continue to have as much influence as possible on the Lerner family, who he has tried, with mixed success, to move toward his



By Thomas Boswell



JONATHAN NEWTON/TWP

Stan Kasten has been the face of the Nationals for the past five seasons.

less-frugal way of thinking.

In the past, Kasten has never publicly said the Nats should increase payroll or be aggressive in free agency. Now, he's changed his tune.

"This is the time to act," he said this week. "We are close. This is how it felt in Atlanta just before we turned it around. Once you've laid the groundwork and improved the farm system, you need to add some pieces. That's where we are now."

If the Lerners, with their gradually rising payroll of \$66 million, took the decisive step toward the kind of \$85 million budget that mid-market teams in new parks typically can afford, would Kasten stay

to see his plan evolve?

After all his success with the Braves, it would be out of character for him to leave a job that remains so unfinished: 24th-best record, 23rd in attendance, 22nd in payroll. But, according to those closest to him, his frustration at his lack of effective influence on the Lerners, as well as a desire to get back to his family in Atlanta, will probably end his D.C. days.

If Kasten leaves, the Nats' reputation will take a hit within the industry. And they will have a hard time replacing his broad skill set.

My preference for the Nats' sake: He stays. My firm opinion: He's gone. (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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Sports

Bowyer's Car Fails Inspection

NASCAR: Vehicle's rear end manipulated by Childress Racing

Auto Racing

Clint Bowyer's race-winning car at New Hampshire failed an intense NASCAR inspection on Wednesday, earning the driver a 150-point penalty that could wipe out his championship chances.

NASCAR also fined crew chief Shane Wilson \$150,000, and suspended him for the next six Sprint Cup races. Car chief Chad Haney was also suspended six races, and team owner Richard Childress was docked 50 owner points.

Bowyer won Sunday's opening race in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship to vault from 12th to second in the standings. The penalty drops him back to last place, 185 points behind leader Denny



Clint Bowyer won the Sylvania 300 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway on Sunday.

Hamlin with nine races left to determine the champion.

NASCAR said the No. 33 Chevrolet from Sunday's race had been altered and did not meet its strict specifications.

The car passed its initial inspection at New Hampshire on Sunday, but was taken by NASCAR back to its North Carolina research and development center. It was there

that NASCAR found the rear end of the car had been manipulated by Richard Childress Racing.

The development came a day after NASCAR called in RCR officials to warn them that Bowyer's Chase-clinching car from the Sept. 11 race at Richmond had nearly failed inspection because its back end was very close to the mandated limits. (AP)



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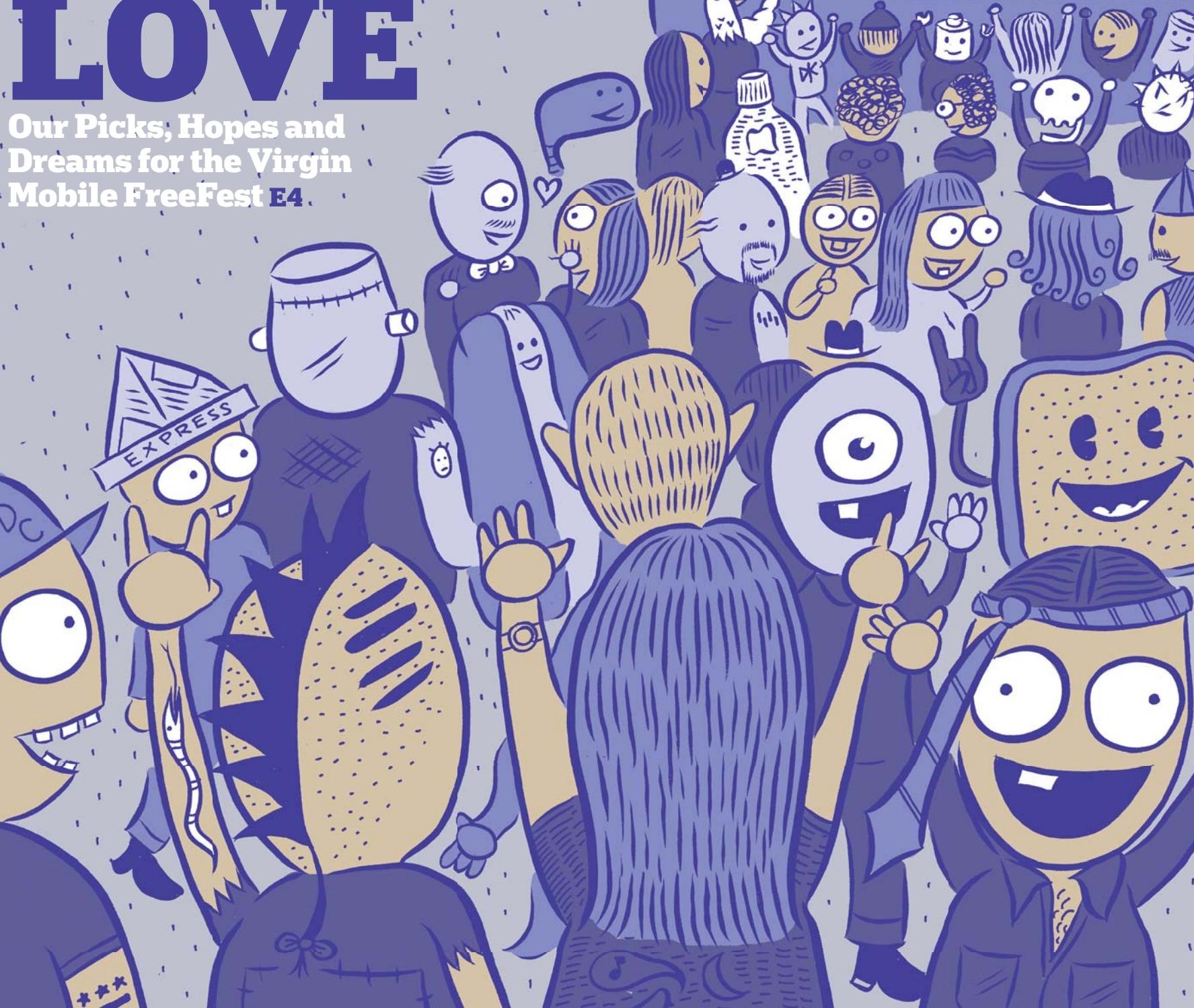
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on the spot

WHEN WILL EASTMAN left a Smithsonian job to be a DJ, people doubted his decision. "It was a real leap of faith; people thought I was crazy at the time," he said. Even a woman in payroll at the Smithsonian expressed grandmotherly concern. "She said, 'You left your government job to be a DJ, son?'" he recalled.

Eastman worked at the National Museum of American History, hosting the monthly podcast "Inventive Voices" and documenting the genesis of electronic music. Now, he is co-owner of U Street Music Hall and is a fixture in the D.C. music scene.

On Saturday, Bliss, his monthly dance party, celebrates its 10th birthday at U Street Music Hall. He gave Express a history lesson on Bliss and the future of his music.

How has Bliss evolved?

I used to play in punk bands, and that's the music I grew up on. The music has definitely changed. I play new forward-looking electronic dance music. There are no rules with Bliss.

What's been your favorite moment over the past decade?

There was the time we did a party at the 9:30 Club during Obama's inauguration with Moby as the headliner and the power went out. Moby and I ended up onstage just banging on garbage containers and empty kegs, like, D.C. go-go style, for about 20 minutes.

Is there a specific time period that's influenced you the most?



JOSH SISK

Will Eastman

DJ, BLISS

"Moby and I ended up onstage banging ... empty kegs, D.C. go-go style, for about 20 minutes."

I'm always interested in what is next. I love history, and I have a firm foundation in it and I love music history. ... But I am a firm believer that music tomorrow is going to be better than music yesterday.

What's your dream collaboration?

My absolute dream collaboration in dance music would be Daft Punk. They are visionaries and fantastic producers — in the broader sense of film, media, songwriting, packaging, the whole thing.

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Saturday, September 25

11:00am – 4:00pm

Much Ado About 'Star Trek'

An alien language meets the Bard at WSC's fundraiser

Theater

taH pagh, taHbe: That is Hamlet's burning question for the 250,000 "Star Trek" fans with a copy of the Klingon dictionary.

The language was originally created by Marc Okrand, who just so happens to be the president of Arlington's Washington Shakespeare Company. It was only logical, said Okrand, to bring a night of Klingon Shakespeare to Washington as part of the company's

annual benefit.

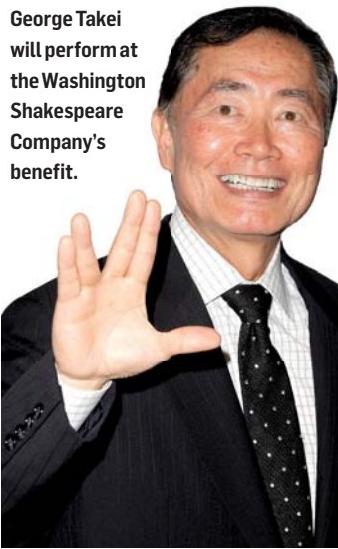
Saturday's show will feature an appearance by George Takei, best-known for his role as Mr. Sulu in the original "Star Trek" series.

"Shakespeare has been translated into all the major languages of the world, so it's not unusual that it should leave the world and be translated into an alien language," Takei said. "Shakespeare's power communicates even to aliens."

Ironically, Takei will actually be speaking English at the fundraiser. "I haven't got time to learn the Klingon, so I'm doing a reading from 'Julius Caesar,'" he said.

Global interest in Klingon has been steadily on the rise ever

George Takei will perform at the Washington Shakespeare Company's benefit.



since the language first appeared on "Star Trek," Takei said. "When Gene Roddenberry hired Marc [Okrand] to create the Klingon language, Paramount saw it as a great marketing material. They got Marc to put together a Klingon dictionary, and they sold like hotcakes."

This bodes well for the future of Klingon culture, as "now there are many people qualified to translate Shakespeare or Tennessee Williams into Klingon," Takei said.

RYAN LITTLE

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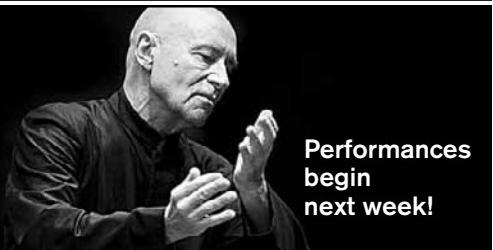
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Last year's festival co-opted Blink 182's reunion tour with Weezer, and threw in a diverse range of hip-hop, indie and nostalgia acts. This year, Virgin flips the script, leaving the mainstream behind and returning with polarizing pop stars, reunited rock gods and a blockbuster indie dance group hanging it up in its prime. Tickets to this year's fest again "freed out" almost instantly, and all signs point to another successful year.

You know who you're dying to see. And even if you don't have a ticket, you'll find a way to get in. Here's what you should expect — and wildly hope for — from Saturday's 2010 Virgin Mobile FreeFest.

RUDI GREENBERG & SHAUNA MILLER (EXPRESS)
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Most Unlikely Collaboration: **Ludacris and Joan Jett**

Do Ludacris and Joan Jett even know the other exists? They aren't scheduled to play together, but we like to imagine that sparks will fly when they hear one another across a crowded festival field. Luda will embrace the snarl of "I Love Rock and Roll," and an Aerosmith-Run D.M.C. moment for the new millennium will unfold before our very eyes. We also fully expect Thievery Corporation to lounge-ifly Pavement's instrumental "5-4=Unity" and for M.I.A. to hug it out with Jimmy Eat World. Could happen.



Most Likely to Induce Painful Nostalgia Attack: **Pavement**

Pavement may take third billing in the FreeFest line-up, but to anyone under 20 roaming around Merriweather Saturday, these indie guitar gods just look like someone's dad. Jimmy Eat World provided these whippersnappers' soundtrack to middle-school love and loss in the early 2000s. Pavement brings the rest of us back to the '90s, when skateboarding through your angst about girls really meant something. Ten years after breaking up, Pavement is back, showered and laundered. And after a decade, Stephen Malkmus' lyrics might finally resonate with those of us who were ankle-biters ourselves the first time around.



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Tragedy And Victory

Titus Andronicus mines American history for a disc full of hope for the future

Music

Spawned from the oft-maligned womb of New Jersey, Titus Andronicus spins allusions to the Boss, Walt Whitman and Albert Camus into a punk-rock quest for meaning.

It has shored up praise from Pitchfork and Rolling Stone, earning the group slew of sold-out shows and legions of adoring teenage fans. But frontman Patrick Stickles is still sweating the details.

"The van's in good shape still. No instruments have broken irreversibly. Thus far, I'd say this tour is a smashing success," mused Stickles. The band members also

quit their day jobs. "The biggest surprise has got to be that I don't have another job," he continued. "I can play the guitar whenever I want and not have to wash dishes, besides my own, of course. I'm the most fortunate man that's ever lived, probably."

The band's most recent album, "The Monitor," explores an unexpected theme: the American Civil War. "Looking around me, I observed great disunion amongst my fellow Americans. Even though we all want the same thing, and we're all really on the same team," Stickles said. "It was a pretty short deductive trip to find the Civil War would be the most effective extended metaphor that would prove the most useful. Everything was pointing towards this theme, and as I am a rider on the wings of destiny, I followed it."

At Titus' live shows, Stickles'



New Jersey's Titus Andronicus still pulls in the fans to shows — even with a new record about the American Civil War.

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rough-and-tumble histrionics work well with the band's fist-pumping rock energy, but he admits his out-there stage antics are tough to sustain. "I feel beholden to the limitations of my body in a lot of ways, the

limits of my vocal chords," he says. "I was not born to be a singer, but part of being an existentialist is realizing that our humanity is something that we should strive to overcome."

Out on the road again with a new disc, Stickles is a thankful

man — and reflective. "It's really an astonishing time to be alive," he said. "Us humans, we stand at the shore of a great ocean of accomplishment, where it's going to be our brains that make the moves, not our bodies. We're really at the end of history," he concludes. "I just hope we use it for good rather than evil." **RYAN LITTLE**

• *Rock and Roll Hotel, 1353 H St. NE; with Free Energy and Last Tide; Fri., 9:30 p.m., sold out; 202-388-7625.*

Think Globally, Act Locally

Author Steve Lerner tracks the inequity of 'Sacrifice Zones'

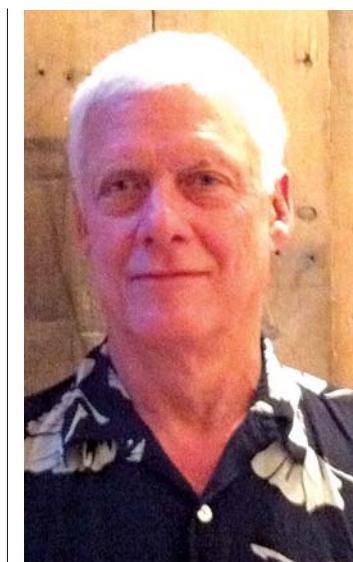
Books

When does a breaking point become a turning point? The point at which people get angry enough to organize against injustice drives Steve Lerner's new book, "Sacrifice Zones: The Front Lines of Toxic Exposure in the United States," which follows the infuriating, shocking and inspiring story of 12 unlikely environmental activists.

These "accidental activists" live in areas originally called "sacrifice zones," an Orwellian term originally coined in the Soviet Union to describe

populated areas irrevocably polluted by nuclear fallout. In this country, communities from Florida to California suffer from pollution serious enough to be considered a major hazard to public health. All these areas have another disturbing commonality, notes Lerner: They are largely populated by poor, minority populations. "Sacrifice Zones" is Lerner's call to confront the "environmental racism" of a system that continues to build and maintain these pollution centers while ignoring the massive safety risks involved.

Lerner posits that the disproportionate environmental suffering of poor communities of color is not coincidental. Shockingly unequal toxic exposure rates — according to one study Lerner cites, African Ameri-



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Steve Lerner's new book looks at what drives people to public health activism.

cans are 79 percent more likely than whites to live in neighborhoods where pollution poses a health risk — go largely ignored by the governments, corporations and factories that could effect change.

But in this vacuum, grassroots activists rise and organize, winning lawsuits and closing toxic sites. Lerner follows these activists from their political awakenings through their individual pushes to organize meetings, stage corporate confrontations and influence legislation. The result is an inspiring story of everyday people who, pushed too far, push back.

JESSICA ROAKE

• *Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sun., 5 p.m., free; 202-364-1919. (Van Ness)*

The Last Angry Man



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LEWIS BLACK is a rant-prone guy, but he's also a legitimate writer, with a new book out in November. "The toughest part about the discipline of writing is just sitting there," mused Black. "It's like developing a muscle ... in your ass." Black performs Thursday through Saturday at the Warner Theatre. Read our full interview with Black on Expressnightout.com.



DILLON DONOVAN

Grass Widow floats soprano vocal melodies over crunchy guitar and bass riffs.

It Takes Three: Grass Widow

A San Francisco rock trio make melodies tough but sweet

Music

All-female San Francisco trio Grass Widow wear their influences proudly, but they have little to do with rock 'n' roll. The group's intricate weaving of twangy, plucked guitar and harmonized bass has its genesis in the world of classical music.

Guitarist Raven Mahon was classically trained as a teenager and soaked up the classical music her mother played at home. "I think that made its way into my subconscious," she said. "When I started writing music on guitar, I think it just sort of came out."

Grass Widow was formed in 2007 by Mahon and bassist and filmmaker Hannah Lew. The band featured a slightly different lineup, which included drummer Frankie Rose (Vivian Girls, Crystal Stilts, and Dum Dum Girls), who went on to form her own New York-based group, Frankie Rose and the Outs.

The group found its voice after

adding drummer Lillian Maring — literally. All three musicians sing, their gentle sopranos floating above angular guitar and bass riffs.

"I really think of my sound as something that's part of what we collectively create together," Mahon explained. "The songs evolve organically as we're all sort of giving each other input and contributing simultaneously. Hannah and I write a lot of the melodies together note by note."

The band attracted the attention of Kill Rock Stars, home of Sleater-Kinney, to whom Grass Widow has been compared. The band's second CD, "Past Time," was released on the label Aug. 24. It followed a 12-inch vinyl EP and a self-titled debut album, both put out by smaller labels.

Grass Widow has also drawn new looks for Lew's video work on "Fried Egg," from its latest release. "Film is another form of expression for me," Lew said. "I feel lucky that my other passion is something that can carry over into the band."

TONY SCALFANI

• *Rock and Roll Hotel*, 1353 H St. NE; with Shonen Knife and Foul Swoops, Sun., 8:30 p.m., \$15; 202-388-7625.

Glower Powerful

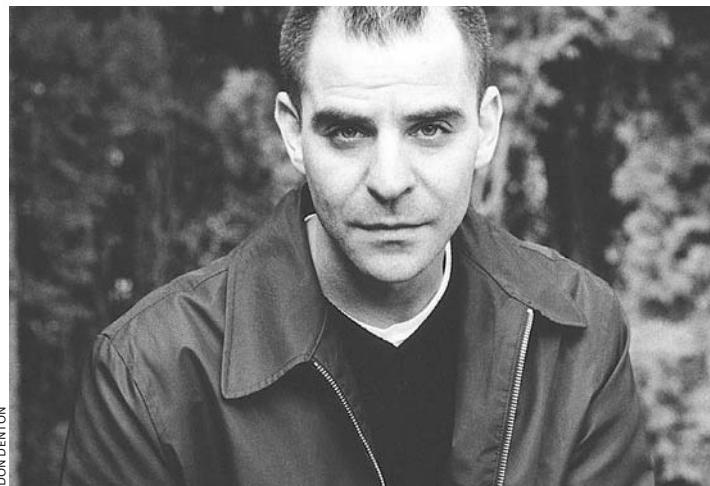
Author David Rakoff searches for the humanity in a world that's 'Half Empty'

Books

Haters of "The Secret," rejoice: David Rakoff would like to walk on the gloomier side of the street with you. In "Half Empty," his new collection of essays, Rakoff lays siege to the "Power of Positive Thinking" crowd in a rousing and often hilarious defense of pessimism.

Rakoff, author of "Don't Get Too Comfortable: The Indignities of Coach Class, the Torments of Low-Thread Count, the Never-Ending Quest for Artisanal Olive Oil and Other First World Problems," argues that it will be the Negative Nellies rather than the Pollyannas who will inherit the Earth. Among the standouts in Rakoff's book are essays on the New York City Exotic Erotic Ball and Expo; a meditation on the complicated love between Jews and pork; and an evisceration of the "bohemian myth" of Jonathan Larsen, the creator of "Rent," who died just days before the show's opening.

As any frequent "This American Life" listener knows, Rakoff is



DON DENTON

It's the heart in Rakoff's writing that keeps him from one-note curmudgeonry and nastiness.

a wit who can charmingly and thoroughly decimate everything from the spiritual merits of body cleanses to the artificial wonders of Disney's Innoventions Dream Home. Rakoff has a gift for sociological dissection and does not suffer the fools of this world gladly.

But it's the heart in Rakoff's writing that keeps him from one-note

curmudgeonry and nastiness. Rakoff never goes for the cheap insults, and always finds the vulnerability and humanity in his subjects. The essay "All the Time We Have" is particularly brave, addressing the author's own struggle with cancer.

Throughout the book, Rakoff manages to make a case for looking critically at that big, half-empty glass of life that is compelling, hilarious and surprisingly moral. So, stand proud, naysayers; David Rakoff is with you. JESSICA ROAKE

• *Politics and Prose*, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Thu., 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919. (Van Ness)

The Medium Is the Message



RAIMOND DO/TWP

HEAD-ROC wants you to know he's not angry. "I have an opinion about what's going on in the world, about the decisions that are made, so that fuels my art," said the D.C.-based rapper. Get ready to move when he performs Sunday at the Black Cat. "There's too much melancholy rocking going on in D.C.," he teased. Read our full interview with him at Expressnightout.com.

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NATIONAL BOOK FESTIVAL

BOOK SMART

Reading and writing tend to be lonely endeavors, undertaken in quiet concentration as an escape from one world into another. Each year, the National Book Festival offers readers and writers a rare chance to interact with each other and make literature a social undertaking. Celebrating its 10th year Saturday on the National Mall, the festival draws more than 100,000 bibliophiles annually to meet writers of all stripes: children's book authors, poets, fiction writers, mystery scribes, biographers, historians and culture commentators. Here are Express' picks for the fest. **STEPHEN M. DEUSNER**



Writing From the Gut

Chang-rae Lee recounts the Korean War's personal costs

Author Interview

To research his fourth novel, "The Surrendered," a harrowing account of lives upended by the Korean War, Chang-rae Lee traveled to Korea, where he visited numerous museums and spent hours in libraries. But the most useful research tool he found was a small packet of black-and-white photographs from the war, sent to him by a Seoul newspaper editor.

"There were pictures of people, of course, but also pictures of landscapes and ruined villages," recalled Lee, a writing professor at Princeton University. "They really gave me a great flavor and texture for that time and allowed me to invent the way an author needs to invent."

Prodigious research provided Lee the facts that would inform the setting and scope of "The Surrendered." But those pictures provided the confidence to populate that world with complex characters who bristle with lively contradictions. They allowed him to write from the gut, portraying the horrors of war in fleet, crisp language.



DAVID BURNETT

"I didn't want to intellectualize the things that happen to these people," he explained. "I found myself encountering a slightly more stripped-down, less florid style — a less self-consciously lyrical style. I think that's a dictate of what the story and the characters suggested."

Ultimately, Lee's goals were contradictory: to create a personal story in which the author himself is absent. "When I'm writing, it's all about me, of course," Lee explained. "But I try to let myself be consumed by the book."

• *National Mall, between Third and Seventh streets NW; Sat., 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; free; Loc.gov/bookfest. (Smithsonian)*

FEATURED AUTHORS

Jonathan Franzen

"Freedom" (FARRAR STRAUS & GIROUX)

It's not often that an author — literary or otherwise — makes the cover of Time magazine, but Jonathan Franzen is no ordinary author. With four extraordinarily ambitious novels under his belt, he's become one of the most insightful, incisive and inventive chroniclers of the here and now. His primary subject is the American family, especially as it splinters apart. Like his award-winning 2001 novel, "The Corrections," his latest, "Freedom," documents the downfall of the outwardly happy Berglund clan in St. Paul, Minn.



Laura Bush

"Spoken From the Heart" (SIMON & SCHUSTER)

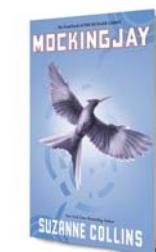
In 2001, Laura Bush hosted the first National Book Festival, which aligned with her mission to promote literacy and reading. This year, she will appear as a writer herself with her recent memoir, "Spoken From the Heart," in which she recounts her youth in Texas, her experiences as a teacher in inner-city schools, her marriage to a young man named George W. Bush and her roles as the first lady of Texas and later as the first lady of the United States.



Suzanne Collins

"Mockingjay" (SCHOLASTIC)

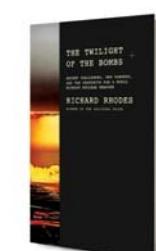
Suzanne Collins' "Hunger Games" trilogy has made her a staple of the New York Times' best-seller list as well as adolescent bookshelves across the country. That ambitious sci-fi series, about a teenager in a post-apocalyptic world, comes after more than 20 years writing for young readers. In the early 1990s, she wrote for such television shows as "Clarissa Explains It All" and "The Mystery Files of Shelby Woo," and authored the "Underland Chronicles" series of novels.



Richard Rhodes

"The Twilight of the Bombs" (KNOPF)

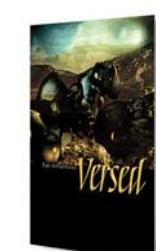
California-based historian, biographer and essayist Richard Rhodes has written or edited more than 20 books over 40 years and has won virtually every literary prize imaginable, including the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award. Documenting the current nuclear threat in the Middle East and North Korea, his latest book, "The Twilight of the Bombs," concludes an exhaustive, multi-volume history of nuclear weaponry, which he began in 1986 with the seminal "The Making of the Atomic Bomb."



Rae Armantrout

"Versed" (WESLEYAN POETRY PRESS)

One of the foremost poets in the country, Rae Armantrout has published 10 collections of verse and has been included in such anthologies as "Postmodern American Poetry" and "American Women Poets of the 21st Century." She won the Pulitzer Prize and the National Critics Circle Award for her most recent book, "Versed," which vacillates between the individual and the universal, the physical and the metaphysical.



take five



WARNER BROS.

Blake Lively and Ben Affleck share an intense moment in "The Town."

1 **The Town**

A big, ambitious action crime thriller, "The Town" trades the "Gone Baby Gone" contemplative, mournful mood for a faster pace and smashing set pieces. It's a smart, bold genre exercise that's enormous fun to watch.

2 Easy A

While "Easy A" may be billed as a modern-day riff on "The Scarlet Letter," the laugh-out-loud entry into the high school comedy genre seems to take just as many cues from the beloved John Hughes oeuvre. Enhanced by a wicked sense of humor, Will Gluck's movie does what Hughes did best.

3 Devil

A group of unsuspecting strangers is trapped inside a high-rise elevator. To make matters worse, they realize they are riding along with the devil.

4 Resident Evil: Afterlife

A virus ravages the world, turning its victims into the undead. A lead takes survivors to Los Angeles, but when they arrive, the city is already overrun by thousands of zombies.

5 Alpha and Omega

It's "The Call of the Mild" — no bark, no bite. The littlest children in your house may find something to titter at from time to time, but based on the reaction of a young screening audience, it won't be often.

Eight Million Ways to Die

The 'Final Destination' Collection shows that death lurks around every corner

DVD

When watching a horror film, you're going to see a few people die. But the "Final Destination" series offers so much more.

The Grim Reaper's ever-more-ingenuous killing methods star in these four films, each revolving around a group of friends who briefly cheat death. Warner Bros. is also planning for a fifth installment, tentatively scheduled for release next summer. And as long as there are kids to kill, this series will continue to do them in.

But with the release of the "Final Destination" Collection, you don't have to wait until 2011 to watch annoying teenagers meet grisly, gruesome and strangely satisfying deaths. Make sure to revisit these death scenes — the most memorable the franchise has to offer. Until next year, that is. ROXANA HADADI



Final Destination: Compared to the sequels, 2000's first "Final Destination" isn't that revolting. What the first film has going for it is surprise. Take the demise of Billy, played by Sean William Scott. The year before, Scott played Stifler in "American Pie," and the idea of him surviving made sense — who would kill such a lovable goon? "Final Destination" will, and his head is sliced in twain by a train.



Final Destination 2: "Final Destination 2" starred only one of the original flick's survivors — Ali Larter, who played Clear. Kimberly Corman (A.J. Cook) has visions that avert a car crash, and when her friends start dying, she seeks Clear for help. After many twists and turns, Kimberly and ally Brian (Noel Fisher) think they're safe. (They're not.) The best bit comes in the final moments, with a gory propane-tank explosion.



Final Destination 3: Theoretically, all of the "Final Destination" accidents could happen. Car accidents, after all, are commonplace. But the setup of "Final Destination 3" — friends dodging death aboard a roller coaster — hit us where we have fun. It also gave us one of the series' funniest deaths: Popular girls Ashley (Chelan Simmons) and Ashlyn (Crystal Lowe) are burned alive in their tanning beds.



The Final Destination: If you've read Chuck Palahniuk's 2004 Playboy piece, "Guts," you're already familiar with people having their intestines sucked out by pool drains. So, five years later, when the writers of "The Final Destination" employed that technique, it was notable not only for probable plagiarism, but also because — well, that's totally revolting. Good luck swimming peacefully anytime soon.

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WRITTEN BY EXPRESS' SHAUNA MILLER

The Band Plays On

Twenty-five years ago, Randy Shilts documented the unfolding AIDS crisis in the pages of the San Francisco Chronicle. In those early days, AIDS was seen as a "gay plague." Today, the rate of heterosexual transmission continues to climb, even as education efforts have had an impact on traditionally vulnerable communities. But 3 percent of D.C.'s population is living with AIDS, one of the highest rates in the nation, higher than some African nations. Washington Post reporter Jose Antonio Vargas looked at the ways this plays out for those suffering with the disease in our city in "The Two Washingtons," reporting that led to Vargas' collaboration with local documentary filmmaker Susan Koch on "The Other City." The film follows a diverse range of people living with AIDS in D.C., tracing their struggles and victories, and shedding needed light on the inequities, ignorance and discrimination that still drive the division of resources and education around AIDS. A quarter-century ago, Shilts warned that "The Band Played On" as a crisis built. "The Other City" is a call to action for our city. ► E Street Cinema, 555 11th St. NW; closes Thu., \$10; 202-452-7672.



Director Susan Koch's "The Other City" looks at the realities of living with AIDS in Washington, D.C.

AFI's 2010 Latin American Film Festival

Now in its 21st year, the AFI's Latin American Film Festival showcases the best in filmmaking from Latin America, Spain and Portugal. This year's schedule — which includes screenings through Oct. 13 — is packed with more than 30 films by award-winning directors, edgy new names and indie surprises. Celebrate Mexico's 100th birthday with "Revolution," a collection of 10 short films by the country's best directors, or take in the "silent musical" "Hiroshima," by Uruguay's Pablo Stoll. This weekend's showcase film is 2008's "Linha de Passe," by Brazilian directors Walter Salles and Daniela Thomas. The film follows four brothers from a São Paulo slum as they search for meaning in the teeming megacity. Actress Sandra Corveloni, who plays Cleuza, the boys' fiercely dedicated mother, won best actress at the Cannes Film Festival for her role. Go to Afi.com/silver for a full schedule of Latin American Film Festival films and special events. ► AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; through Oct. 13, "Linha de Passe" screens Fri. 8 p.m. & Sat. 7:30 p.m., \$10; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)

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Metal Gurus

Bullet for My Valentine is everything a metal band should be: loud, angry, adolescent. Can't take the noise? Then what are you doing here, Mom? We told you not to come in here! THIS IS OUR PERSONAL SPACE! NOBODY UNDERSTANDS US. Not that there will be any personal space at the band's concert at the 9:30 Club, but that's OK: Metal is also about sweating on total strangers and forging new friendships in mosh pits. Mom! What are you doing here?

→ **9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Sat., 6 p.m., \$30; 202-265-0930, 930.com. (U St.-Cardozo)**

2

The City That Reads

Are you worried that meeting Jonathan Franzen will be too much for your fragile heart? It's a common problem — boy, is he dreamy — but there's a solution: Skip the National Book Festival and head for the Baltimore Book Festival instead. Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, Ted Rall and noted fashion photographer Nigel Barker will all be in attendance. → **Mount Vernon Place, 600 block of North Charles Street, Baltimore; Fri.-Sun., noon-8 p.m., free; 410-752-8632, Baltimorebookfestival.com.**



3

Hope for America

Before Bob Hope was an old famous guy, he was one of the best comedians of his day and was involved in too many social causes to name. He was basically Angelina Jolie, but even hotter — which actually creates a rather disturbing merged image. The Library of Congress has curated an exhibition of Hope's personal papers and broadcasts to allow a new generation to learn about his life and career, complete with hunky photos of the funnyman in his prime. → **Library of Congress, Thomas Jefferson Building, First Street SE, between Independence Avenue and East Capitol Street; ongoing, free; 202-707-9779, Loc.gov. (Capitol South)**

5

Postapocalyptic Teen Angst

"Mockingjay," the third installment of author Suzanne Collins' best-selling series "The Hunger Games," delivers a gruesome account of violence and war in a reality-show milieu we're all far too familiar with.

Collins picks up where "Catching Fire" left off, with heroine Katniss Everdeen at her decimated home, District 12.

The 17-year-old winner of the brutal Hunger Games, a yearly television event in which kids are thrown into an arena and told to kill or be killed, grudgingly accepts the role of rebel army figurehead. But she's not just trapped in a tangle of military mind games — she's also grappling with her feelings for Peeta, her girlhood BFF. → **Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Thu., 3 p.m., free; 202-364-1919, Politics-prose.com. (Van Ness)**



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4

Fancy Nights

When it comes to fancy formal cultural events, D.C. has it down. And the Kennedy Center's season opening concert should be a doozy: With opera diva Renee Fleming, pianist Lang Lang, a bunch of Strauss and Liszt and everyone in evening gowns, you're going to have to go to Ben's Chili Bowl afterward just to shock yourself back into normalcy.

→ **Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Sat., 7 p.m., \$20-\$125; 202-467-4600, Kennedy-center.org.**

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Sound

→ **THURSDAY**

9:30 Club: Big Head Todd and the Monsters, 7 p.m., \$25.

Birchmere: Patty Loveless, 7:30 p.m., \$45.

Black Cat: Caribou, Emeralds, 8 p.m., \$15-\$18.

Blues Alley: Joe Sample, 8 & 10 p.m., \$43.

Bohemian Caverns: Carolyn Malachi, Levi Stevens, 8 & 10 p.m., \$10-\$15.

Iota: Bobby Bare Jr., Blue Giant, 8:30 p.m., \$12.

Jammin' Java: Mark Olson, Vandaveer, 8 p.m., \$14.

Jaxx: Goatwhore, the Absence, Epitome of the Weak, Dental Meth, Waking the Monolith, Gutter Head, 5:30 p.m., \$12-\$15.

Kennedy Center/Millennium Stage: STYLUS, 6 p.m., free.

Rams Head On Stage: Alejandro Escovedo & the Sensitive Boys, 7 p.m., \$39.50.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Tom Tom Club, Caravan of Thieves, Tony Castles, 7 p.m., \$20.

The Red and the Black: Echo Wall, Jason Byrd and Honey Boat, 9 p.m., \$6.

Twins Jazz: Alice Harris, 8 & 10 p.m., \$10.

U Street Music Hall: "Trouble & Bass DC: 4 Year Anniversary Celebration" featuring Bart B More, Deathface, 10 p.m., \$5-\$10.

Velvet Lounge: Diver, Dustin Wong, Rous, 9 p.m., \$8.

→ **FRIDAY**

9:30 Club: Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros, 9 p.m., sold out.

Birchmere: Hiroshima, 7:30 p.m., \$45.

Black Cat: The Boxer Rebellion, Amusement Parks on Fire, Augustines, 9 p.m., \$13.

Bohemian Caverns: Curtis Fuller, 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., \$20-\$25.

DC9: Liberation Dance Party, 9 p.m., \$7.

Iota: The Walkaways, Brother Shamus, Memphis 59, 9 p.m., \$12.

Jammin' Java: Dia, Mista Forty, Socz,

the scene

Sonny Black, 10 p.m., \$10; Cerca Trova, Iona Sound, All in Karma, Light Up the Sky, 6 p.m., \$10-\$13.

Jaxx: Radio Redline, High Fives Died in the 80's, 7 p.m., \$10.

Kennedy Center/KC Jazz Club:

Magos Herrera 7:30 p.m., \$25.

Rams Head On Stage: Patty Loveless, 8 p.m., \$65.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Titus Andronicus, Energy, 8:30 p.m., sold out.

The Red and the Black: 500 Miles to Memphis, 9 p.m., \$8.

Twins Jazz: The Flail, 9 & 11 p.m., \$15.

U Street Music Hall: Deep Sugar DC, Basement Boys, 10 p.m., \$10 after midnight

Velvet Lounge: Loose Lips, Ravenous, Continued on page E12

North of the Border

COURTESY BIG HASSEL

CANADA'S BEST: Autumn has you craving maple syrup and the smell of wood smoke, eh? If that's the case, get your Canadian fix from Ottawa's experimental indie-folk band the Acorn. They crafted their latest album, "No Ghost," while holed up in the woods of northern Quebec. On Sunday, the band ventures out of Canada to DC9 with Basia Bulat.



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→ SATURDAY

9:30 Club: Bullet for My Valentine, Escape the Fate, Black Tide, Drive A, 6 p.m., \$30.

Birchmere: Jackopierce, 7:30 p.m., \$29.50.

Black Cat: David Bazan, Mynabirds, 9 p.m., \$15;

Comet Ping Pong: X-MC, the Yachtsmen, Sleeper Agent, 10:30 p.m., \$5.

DC9: Twins of a Gazelle, BearShark, Great Elk, 9 p.m., \$8.

Iota: Colourslide, My Radio, Jeff Himmelman, 9 p.m., \$12.

Jammin' Java: Caroline Herring, 7 p.m., \$12.

Jaxx: Invader, Julie Hall, the 6th

Degree, the Blackshire, the More You Know, Suffer No Guilt, Just My Luck, Cyberstrike, Evereaux, Provence, 5:15 p.m., \$10-\$12.

Jiffy Lube Live: Sugarland, Little Big Town, Randy Montana, 4 p.m., \$35.75-\$65.75.

Merriweather Post Pavilion: Virgin Mobile FreeFest: MIA, LCD Soundsystem, Pavement, TI, Ludacris and more, 11 a.m., \$125.

Rams Head On Stage: Hiroshima, 6:30 & 9:30 p.m., \$35.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Field Music, Bellman Barker, the Beanstalk Library, 8:30 p.m., \$10-\$12.

The Red and the Black: Kinch, 9 p.m., \$8.

U Street Music Hall: Bliss 10 Year Anniversary Party, 10 p.m., \$10.

Velvet Lounge: Cornel West Theory, Voids Moan, Thaylobleu, 10 p.m., \$8.

→ SUNDAY

9:30 Club: Eels, Jesca Hoop, 7 p.m., \$25.

Birchmere: Norman Brown's Autumn Storm, 7:30 p.m., \$59.50.

Black Cat: Head-Roc, AK Slaughter, Height, 9 p.m., \$10.

DC9: Basia Bulat & the Acorn, Sam Izdat, 7 p.m., \$10-\$12.

Galaxy Hut: The Yachtsmen, 7 Door Sedan, 9 p.m., \$5.

Jammin' Java: Joe Brooks, Alexe Colbus, 7 p.m., \$10.

Merriweather Post Pavilion: "WPOC Sunday in the Country" featuring Lady Antebellum, Eric Church, Joe Nichols, Gloriana, Bucky Covington, Matt Kenion, 1 p.m., \$45-\$75.

Rams Head On Stage: A Tribute to the Jazz Divas featuring Sheila Ford and the Bruce Swaim Quartet, 8:30 p.m., \$30.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Shonen Knife, Grass Widow, Daddy Lion, Foul Swoops, 8 p.m., \$15.

State Theatre: Shooter Jennings & Hierophant, 8 p.m., \$17.

Twins Jazz: Julie Mack, 8 & 10 p.m., \$10.
Velvet Lounge: Slash Wednesday, Southlawn, xUberx, 7:30 p.m., \$8.

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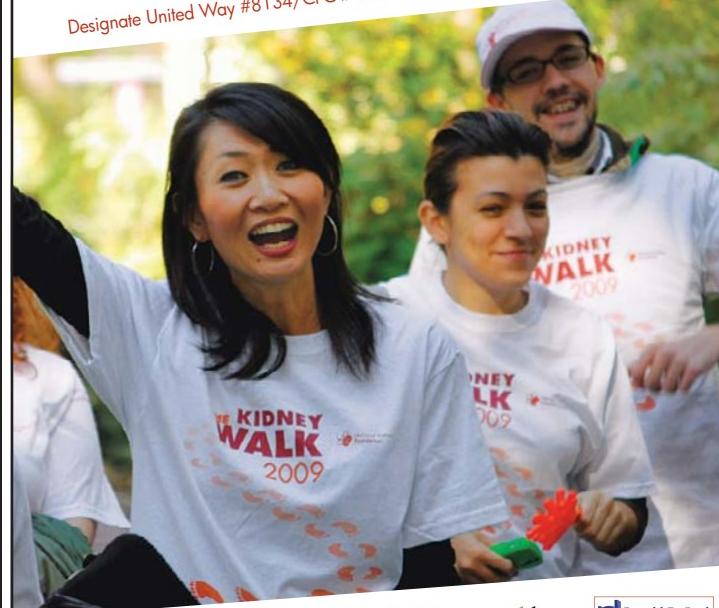
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A Little Bit Country



ANTHONY WEBER

FIDDLE ME THIS: While the hip-hop and indie-rock headliners at Virgin Festival may be on the tips of everyone's tongues this weekend, there's another festival in town. "Sunday in the Country" puts country stars on the map with Grammy-toting headliner Lady Antebellum, pictured, and performances by Eric Church, Gloriana and former "American Idol" contestant Bucky Covington.

Americans. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-4820, Anacostia.si.edu.

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Arlington Arts Center: "Fall Solos 2010," showing of works from six mid-Atlantic artists, through Nov. 7. 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800, Arlingtonartscenter.org.

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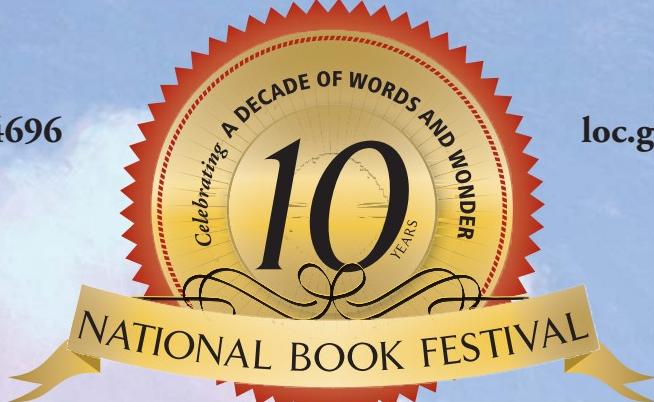
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watercolor paintings by Michele Rea, through Oct. 4. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-683-1780, Theartleague.org.

Art Museum of the Americas:

"Emilia Gutierrez: Drawings and Paintings," an exhibition of an introverted Argentinian artist, showcasing drawings created after illness halted her painting career; "Argentina in Focus: Visualizing the Concept," Cristian Segura and Sergio Vega com-

bine images of local Argentina and the Argentina diaspora in the U.S., through Nov. 21. 20118th St. NW; 202-458-6016, Museum.oas.org.

Art Whino Gallery: "Beautiful Failures," Richard Salcido's paintings show how success and failure are two sides of exhibition development, through Oct. 15. 173 Waterfront St., National Harbor, Md.; 301-567-8210, Artwhino.com.

Athenaeum: "J.J. Cromer: A Study of Passing Events" examination of Cromer's techniques, through Oct. 31. 201 Prince St., Alexandria; 703-548-0035, Nvfaa.org.

BayFirst Solutions: "Deaf Artists

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BlackRock Center for the Arts: Judith Peck and Rita Elsner's art will be displayed through Sept. 25. 12901 Town Commons Drive; 301-528-2260, Blackrockcenter.org.

LAST CHANCE Capitol Hill Arts Workshop: "Walk on the Wild Side," a juried exhibit in honor of late sculptor Wally Szyndler, through Wed. 545 7th St. SE; 202-547-6839, Chaw.org.

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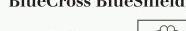
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LAST CHANCE Corcoran Gallery of Art:

"Chuck Close Prints: Process and Collaboration," more than 100 works from renowned artist Chuck Close, through Sun; "American Bronzes";

"Sculpture From the Mouse House: The Olga Hirshhorn Collection," ongoing. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700, Corcoran.org.

Curator's Office:

"Picture Cohesion," Eric Hibit explores how the urban environment and consumerism affect the process of making art, through Oct. 23. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-387-1008, Curatorsoffice.com.

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"Embodied: Black Identities in American Art," in collaboration with Yale University Art Gallery, opens Thu., through Oct. 29. 1214 Cole Student Activities Building, College Park; 301-314-0679, Driskellcenter.umd.edu.

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Flashpoint Gallery: "Patrick McDonough: Reck Room" photographic rugs, basketball shot chart paintings and beer slideshows by Patrick McDonough, through Oct. 9. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1305, Flashpointtdc.org.

Folger Shakespeare Library: "Vivat Rex!" exhibition of young Henry VIII's manuscripts, letters and prints, through Dec. 30. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-4600. Folger.edu.

LAST CHANCE Foundry Gallery:
"Abstract Blues," Donna McGee's oil
spill-inspired water paintings, through
Sun. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203,
Foundrygallery.org

Fraser Galler: "New Work," aerial photographs by D.C.-based photographer Maxwell MacKenzie, through Nov. 6. 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

Freer Gallery of Art: "Cornucopia: Ceramics From Southern Japan," through Jan. 9; "Masterpieces of Chinese Painting," through Nov. 28. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-1000, Asia.si.edu.

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TIME TO HEAL: In a new exhibition at Irvine Contemporary titled "Flow," photographer Phil Nesmith presents a photographic survey of the effects of America's worst oil spill on the people and places of the Gulf.

Gala Hispanic Theatre: "Bestia contra bestia/Beast vs. Beast," photographs by Hispanic artist José Luis Raymond, through Oct. 17. 3333 14th St. NW; 202-234-7174, Galatheatre.org.

G Fine Art: "Fundamental Constants," Julia Oldham's newest exhibit looks to re-create historic physics experiments and theories with common materials, through Oct. 16, 1350 Florida Ave., SE.

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Galerie Myrtis: "Af.Rui.Ka.: The Primal Source," African artist Elsa Gebreyesus makes her solo debut with a series of paintings telling a visual narrative of her homeland and the repressive regime of Eritrea, through Oct. 16. 2224 N. Charles St., Baltimore; 410-235-3711, Galerie-myrtis.com.

Gallery 555: "Mila Kagan: Acrylic on

Canvas," "Alan Binstock: Glass," both through Oct. 8. 555 12th St. NW; 202-393-1409. Gallery555dc.com.

Gallery at Convergence: "Fear," an exhibit about phobias, through Wed. 1801 N. Quaker Lane, Alexandria; 703-998-6260. Convergenceccf.net

Gallery at Vivid Solutions: "Instantaneous?", an exhibition of two photography projects combining multiple dig-

ital and film-based processes to alter moments in time, opens Fri. through Oct. 22. 2208 Martin Luther King Ave. SE; 202-365-8392. Vividsolutionsdc.com

Gateway Arts Center at Brentwood: "Census: A Photographic Survey," photos of working-class business owners, staff and artists in Gateway Arts District, through Oct. 29, 3901 Rhode Island Avenue, Providence. **Continued on page E20**

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The Gateway Gallery: "The Fruit of the Vine," an exhibit that features work inspired by wine, grapes and vineyards,

through Oct. 3, 35246 Harry Byrd Hwy, Suite 120; 540-338-3001, Thegateway-gallery.com.

Goethe-Institut: "Revenants: Photographs by Oskar Schmidt," through Oct. 29, 812 7th St. NW; 202-289-1200, Goethe.de.

Hemphill Fine Arts: "Renee Stout: The House of Chance and Mischief," based on a recurring dream of artist Renee

Stout's, through Oct. 30, 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601, Hemphillfinearts.com.

Hirshhorn: "Black Box: Superflex," unconventional art addresses issues such as democratization, environmentalism and consumerism, through Nov. 28; "ColorForms," abstract art explores the limits of color, through Jan. 2, 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000,

Hirshhorn.si.edu.

Honfleur Gallery: "Gain the World, Lose Your Soul," painting exhibition of D.C. artist Billy Colbert confronting American greed, manipulation and pop-culture imagery, opens Fri., through Oct. 22, 1227 Good Hope Road SE; 202-536-8994, Honfleurgallery.com.

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International Visions Gallery:

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Irvine Contemporary: "Phil Nesmith: Flow," "Bruno Perillo: Uniform: New Paintings," through Oct. 30. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, Irvinecontemporary.com.

Jane Haslem Gallery: Meet and see the exhibitions of Carlton Fletcher & Elizabeth Peak, 2 p.m., Sun. 2025 Hillyer Place NW, 202-232-4644, Janehaslemgallery.com.

Japan Information & Culture Center: "Hanamayu," an exhibit of silk cocoon flowers, through Nov. 22. 1155 21st St. NW; 202-238-6949.

Jerusalem Fund Gallery: "Memories Revisited," Ahmad Alarkhi's abstract paintings based on memories from being forced out of Iraq, through Oct. 3. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958, Thejerusalemfund.org.

Katzen Arts Center: "Norse Soul: Edvard Munch, Social Democracy, Old Myths, Anarchy and Death Longings," through Oct. 17. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-244-3244.

Keck Center: "Art & Science: Highlights from the Collection of the National Academy of Sciences," a curated exploration of the intersections between creativity and the scientific method, through April 2. 500 Fifth St. NW; 202-334-2415, Cpnas.org.

Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: Conceptual artist Betsabe Romero's work will be installed throughout the Kennedy Center through Oct. 1. 2700 F St. NW, 800-444-1324, Kennedy-center.org.

Long View Gallery: "Images From ... Beyond: Visions of Our Solar System," technical photographs by Michael Benson, through Oct. 24. 1234 9th St. NW; 202-232-4788, Longviewgallery.com.

Mexican Cultural Institute: "Rethinking Tradition: Contemporary Design From Mexico," contemporary Mexican artists play with traditional craft and art forms, through Oct. 15. 2829 16th St. NW; 202-728-1628.

Morton Fine Art: "Debutantes & Feral Children," new exhibit by Laurel Hauser, through Oct. 14. 1781 Florida Ave. NW; 202-390-5118, Mortonfineart.com.

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National Gallery of Art, East Building: "Edvard Munch: Master Prints," through Oct. 31; "In the Tower: Mark Rothko," through Jan. 2; "Alexander

Calder Mobile"; **National Gallery of Art, West Building:** "The Body Inside

and Out: Anatomical Literature and Art Theory," through Jan. 23; "German Master Drawings From the Wolfgang Ratjen Collection 1580-1900," through Nov. 28; "From Impressionism to Modernism: the Chester Dale Collection," through Jan. 2. Permanent exhibit, European and American paintings, sculpture and dec-

orative arts from the 13th through the 19th centuries. 6th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-737-4215, Nga.gov.

National Geographic: "Geckos: Tails to Toepads," an interactive showcase of live geckos from 15 species, through Jan. 2; "Rare: Photographs by Joel Sartore," Sartore captures more than 40 exotic and at-risk animals, through

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Oct. 11; "Simply Beautiful: Photos From National Geographic," through Feb. 6. 1145 17th St. NW; 202-857-7588, National-geographic.com/museum.

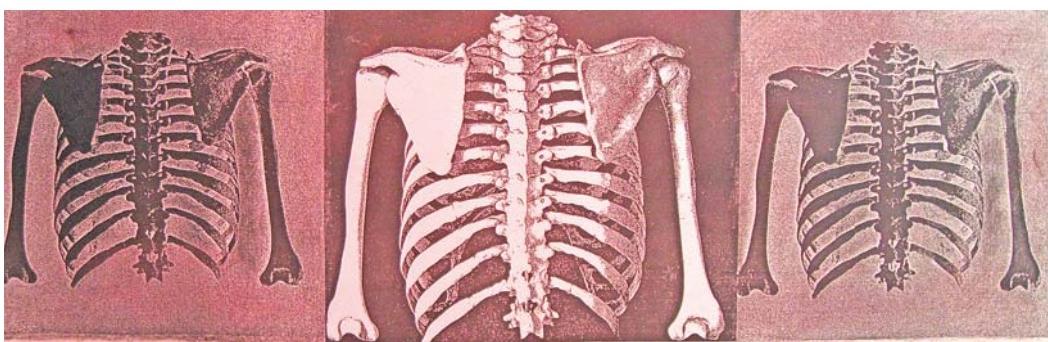
National Museum of African Art:

"Grass Roots: African Origins of an American Art," this traveling exhibit highlights the coiled basket, through Nov. 28. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-4600, Nmafa.si.edu.

National Museum of American History:

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RECOVERIES: Service members, doctors and civilians created pieces of art—from photography to sculpture to watercolor—meant to examine the wounds of war and the recovery process. These moving works are on display at the National Museum of Health and Medicine in an exhibit titled "Wounded in Action: An Art Exhibition of Orthopaedic Advancements."

Pop & Turn," through Sept. 1, 2011. Ongoing exhibitions include "The Star-Spangled Banner: The Flag That Inspired the National Anthem"; "Abraham Lincoln: An Extraordinary Life"; "Lighting a Revolution"; "On the Water: Stories From Maritime America"; "Bon Appétit! Julia Child's Kitchen at the Smithsonian"; and many more. 14th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, AmericanHistory.si.edu.

National Museum of the American Indian:

"Up Where We Belong: Native Musicians in Popular Culture" through Jan. 2; Displays about the history and

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local movie times

Washington DC

Landmark Theatres

Landmark's E-Street Cinema www.landmarktheatres.com
LAST TRAIN HOME (NR) 1:00, 3:15, 5:20; 7:30, 9:55
THE OTHER CITY (NR) 2:00, 4:30; 7:00, 9:30
A WOMAN, A GUN AND A NOODLE SHOP (R) 12:55, 3:20, 5:30; 7:45, 10:00
I'M STILL HERE (R) 1:30, 3:15, 9:00, 9:35
THE KIDS ARE ALL RIGHT (R) 1:45, 4:15; 7:15, 9:55
THE TILLMAN STORY (R) 2:15, 4:40; 7:20, 9:40
GET LOW (PG-13) 1:35, 4:45; 7:10, 9:45
ANIMAL KINGDOM (R) 1:20, 4:00; 7:05, 9:25

The Avalon Theatre

The Avalon Theatre www.theavalon.org
HIDEAWAY (NR) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45
LEBANON (R) 1:00, 6:00
EAT PRAY LOVE (PG-13) 3:15, 8:15

AMC Theaters

AMC Loews Uptown www.amctheatres.com
WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.

THE AMERICAN (R) 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20

AMC Theaters

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THE TOWN (R) 4:30, 7:30, 10:25

EASY A (PG-13) 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00

DEVIL (PG-13) 3:40, 5:50, 8:00, 10:10

ALPHA AND OMEGA (PG) 2:30, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20

GOING THE DISTANCE (R) 2:10, 4:40, 10:20

RESIDENT EVIL: AFTERLIFE 3D (R) 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:15

EAT PRAY LOVE (PG-13) 7:20 P.M.

SALT (PG-13) 2:20, 4:50, 10:30

INCEPTION (PG-13) 7:10 P.M.

AMC Theaters

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LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE 3D (PG) 12:01 A.M.

WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS (PG-13) 12:01 A.M.

YOU AGAIN (PG) 12:01 A.M.

ALPHA AND OMEGA 3-D (PG) 12:25, 2:35, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20

THE TOWN (R) 11:45, 12:45, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 6:50, 9:00, 9:10

EASY A (PG-13) 1:15, 12:30, 1:45, 2:45, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:30, 9:15, 10:15

DEVIL (PG-13) 1:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 9:55, 12:00

RESIDENT EVIL: AFTERLIFE 3D (R) 10:30, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00, 3:45, 4:30, 6:15, 8:45, 10:10

I'M STILL HERE (R) 12:55, 3:05, 5:25, 7:40, 10:00

GOING THE DISTANCE (R) 1:15, 2:35, 4:35, 7:10, 9:50

THE AMERICAN (R) 12:10, 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:30

TAKERS (PG-13) 12:40, 3:10, 10:45

EAT PRAY LOVE (PG-13) 12:20, 6:10, 9:30

THE OTHER GUYS (PG-13) 3:40 P.M.

INCEPTION (PG-13) 10:25, 1:50, 5:10, 8:30, 11:40

Regal Cinemas

Regal Gallery Place Stadium www.regmovies.com

WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available

LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE (PG) Advance Tickets Available

THE SOCIAL NETWORK (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available

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ALPHA AND OMEGA 3-D (PG) 12:05, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:25

THE TOWN (R) 12:10, 1:20, 3:10, 4:20, 6:10, 7:30, 9:20, 10:30

RESIDENT EVIL: AFTERLIFE 3D (R) 12:25, 1:10, 2:50, 3:40, 5:10, 7:50, 9:10, 10:20

MACHETE (R) 4:10, 10:05

GOING THE DISTANCE (R) 1:30, 7:05

THE AMERICAN (R) 2:45, 10:35

TAKERS (R) 12:30, 3:50, 7:00, 9:50

LOTTERY TICKET (PG-13) 4:30, 9:55

EAT PRAY LOVE (PG-13) 12:40, 6:50

TOY STORY 3 (G) 2:40 P.M.

INCEPTION (PG-13) 12:05, 3:25, 6:55, 10:10

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Arlington Cinema 'N' Drafthouse

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LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE (PG)

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ALPHA AND OMEGA 3-D (PG) 2:10, 3:45, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30, 9:45, 10:45

RESIDENT EVIL: AFTERLIFE 3D (R) 2:00, 4:30, 6:55, 9:30

GIVING THE DISTANCE (R) 8:10, 10:25

THE AMERICAN (R) 3:40, 6:40, 9:20

THE LAST EXORCISM (PG-13) 1:10 P.M.

EAT PRAY LOVE (PG-13) 2:00, 4:30, 6:15, 8:15, 9:00

THE EXPENDABLES (R) 1:20, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

THE OTHER GUYS (PG-13) 3:35, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

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THE EXPENDABLES (R) 7:00, 9:45

THE OTHER GUYS (PG-13) 4:10, 6:40, 9:20

INCEPTION (PG-13) 12:20, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

SCOTT PILGRIM VS. THE WORLD (PG-13) 1:25, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30

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THE AMERICAN (R) 3:40, 6:40, 9:20

THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE (R) 1:15, 4:05, 7:05, 9:55

ANIMAL KINGDOM (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:25, 10:00

MESRINE: KILLER INSTINCT (R) 1:25, 6:55

MESRINE: PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1 (R) 3:55, 9:50

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Roundup

Fall is here, which means chefs, chocolatiers, brewmasters and bakers are starting to include autumnal flavors in their dishes. And no matter where you go and what you eat, there's one taste that you will not be able to escape this season: maple.

According to PS 7's pastry chef Zak Miller, this syrupy product of winter's end often finds itself front and center in the fall in both savory entrees and sugary desserts.

"The trees are tapped in the winter, but maple is available all year round," Miller says. "There's just something about fall and the burning leaves," he continues. "Maple just speaks to that time of year." Sweetly, for maple-lovers, this sentiment is shared by many other chefs in the D.C. area.



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Start off your maple-infused odyssey with a Tommyknocker Maple Nut Brown Ale over at the Brickskeller before heading over to Founding Farmers for dinner. There they've crafted a lightly smoked salmon on a cedar plank that's glazed with apricot and Vermont maple syrup. Served with whipped Yukon gold potatoes and whatever fresh veggie is available that day, this hearty main course is a comforting way to end your day.

Savory option No. 2 is at Proof, where chef Haidar Karoum has created a seared foie gras starter that comes with a maple-cider gastrique (a thick sauce produced by the reduction of vinegar, wine and sugar) and vanilla poached Fuji apples, all of which can be lovingly smeared onto toasted brioche.



For East Coast dwellers, autumn tastes nostalgic with various kinds of maple-infused syrups, butters and jellies straight from the jar to craving lips.



Founding Farmers glazes smoked salmon with apricot and maple syrup for a savory twist.

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- Founding Farmers, 1924 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-822-8783, Wearefoundingfarmers.com.
- Georgetown Cupcake, 3301 M St. NW; 202-333-8448, Georgetowncupcake.com.
- Max's Best Homemade Ice Cream, 2416 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-3111.
- Proof, 775 G St. NW; 202-737-7663, Proofdc.com.
- PS 7's, 777 I St. NW; 202-742-8550, Ps7restaurant.com.



When you're ready for dessert, head across town to try PS 7's corn fritters. A high-end take on a Southern classic, these golden delights come with blackberry compote, blackberry sherbet and just a whiff of the woody sugar in the form of maple "air" (or in non-foodie terms described by Miller as "tiny little bubbles" of maple).

If air just won't feed your fix and you don't mind braving the reality TV-enhanced line, swing by Georgetown Cupcake in October. It'll be baking up batches of a seasonal

favorite, a maple cupcake with a maple-infused cream cheese frosting that comes crowned with a fondant maple leaf.

The Teresa's Birthday Cake cupcake at Baked & Wired in Georgetown also borrows inspiration from the humble maple tree. Originally created for owner Teresa Velazquez's birthday, this irresistible goody has a zippy chocolate base lavished with a thick layer of maple buttercream.

The recently introduced Maple Sweet Potato Truffles at ACKC (currently available only at the D.C. location) takes a Thanksgiving side dish staple and stuffs it into chocolate-covered confections. Plus, sweet potatoes are loaded with vitamins A and C, which will provide you

with some small measure of comfort when you hit the gym to burn off your truffle binge.

At Max's Best Homemade Ice Cream in Glover Park, co-owner Marsha Keshani has been handcrafting a creamy Maple

Walnut ice cream for 18 years, since the day she and her husband opened their store, which now boasts celeb visits from Al Gore, Andre Agassi and Joe Biden. Maple Walnut ice cream isn't always on the menu, though; it shows up only from October through the end of the year. "People don't think of it in the summer," Keshani admitted. "But when it gets chilly and the leaves are changing, that's when we start getting requests for it."

Keshani thinks that people are just hard-wired to desire certain flavors at certain times of the year. "Customers always innately want to eat something that naturally fits the season," she said. "That's why no one orders lemon custard when there's 2 feet of snow on the ground." But from now through December as the brilliance of fall's foliage dulls, some Maple Walnut ice cream — with a drizzle of hot fudge, a scattering of chopped nuts and a giant dollop of whipped cream — is a tasty way to bring back sweet memories of halcyon autumns past. NEVIN MARTELL



the scene

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culture of American Indians, permanent collection. 4th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, Nmai.si.edu.

National Museum of Natural History: "Written in Bone: Forensic Files of the 17th-Century Chesapeake," through Jan. 2013, other permanent exhibitions. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, Mnh.si.edu.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: "Books Without Words — The Visual Poetry of Elisabetta Gut," the exhibit presents 22 artists' books, collage-poems, book objects and object poems by Gut, through Jan. 16. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, Nmwa.org.

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Newseum: "Inside Tim Russert's Office: If It's Sunday, It's 'Meet the Press,'" "First Dogs: Presidential Pets in the White House," both through Dec. 31. "Athlete: the Sports Illustrated Photography of Walter Iooss," through Jan. 16; "Elvis! His Groundbreaking, Hip-Shaking, Newsmaking Story," through Feb. 14. Ongoing permanent exhibitions illustrating the role of a free press in a free society. 555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 888-639-7386, Newseum.org.

Old Print Gallery: "Nikolas Schiller: Geospatial Art," Schiller's maps won't get you very far; his prints offer viewers an infinite path through both space and time, through Nov. 13. 1220 31st St. NW; Continued on page E27

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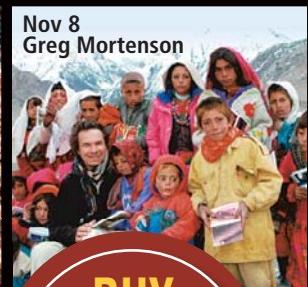
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- Oct 26 **CAPTURING BEAUTY**
with photographer Annie Griffiths
- Oct 28 **DIVING BAHAMAS CAVES** with Nat Geo Emerging Explorer Kenny Broad
- Oct 29 **AN EVENING WITH VISIONARY THINKERS** with Emerging Explorers Saleem H. Ali, Ken Banks, Jerry Glover, and Kakenya Ntaiya. Moderated by Benjamin Shaw
- Nov 1 **THE MAKING OF GREAT MIGRATIONS**
with NGC producer David Hamlin, filmmaker Andy Casagrande, cinematographer Robert Poole. Moderated by author Karen Kostyal
- Nov 5 **BIZARRE AND BREATHTAKING IN NEW GUINEA**
with scientist and photojournalist Tim Laman

- Nov 8 **SHARING TEA WITH GREG MORTENSON** with author Greg Mortenson and *Traveler* editor Don George
- Nov 10 **MUSIC ON...PHOTOGRAPHY**
with photographer Danny Clinch, and moderated by Juliet Blake of the NG Channel
- Nov 29 **FINDING HAPPINESS**
with author Dan Buettner
- Nov 30 **DATELINE: SAHARA**
with staff writer Peter Gwin, photographer Brent Stirton, and director of the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, Jon Sawyer
- Dec 1 **MUSIC ON...PHOTOGRAPHY**
with musician Neko Case, and moderated by Juliet Blake of the NG Channel
- Dec 3 **MUSIC ON...PHOTOGRAPHY**
with musician Ben Folds, and moderated by photographer Mark Seliger
- Dec 4 **MUSIC ON...PHOTOGRAPHY**
with guitarist Andy Summers, and moderated by photographer Mark Seliger
- Dec 8 **SHOOTING FROM THE HEART**
with photographer William Albert Allard and country-folk musician Terri Allard

FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Oct 16 **WORLD ANIMAL DAY** Art workshops, photo safaris, storytelling, film screenings, museum exhibits, and more!
- Oct 30 **ON THE JUNGLE GYM WITH JUSTIN ROBERTS** and his Not Ready for Naptime Players
- Nov 6 **UP HIGH, UP CLOSE IN THE TREETOPS**
with scientist and photojournalist Tim Laman

FILM

- Sep 28 - Oct 3 **ALL ROADS FILM FESTIVAL**
A showcase of breakthrough film and photography from indigenous and underrepresented minority cultures around the globe.
- Nov 6 **THE PRESIDENT'S PHOTOGRAPHER**
Discussion with producer John Bredar, and White House photographers Eric Draper, Robert McNeely, and David Valdez.
- Nov 9 **MUSIC ON...FILM: BOUNCING CATS**
with filmmaker Nabil Elderkin, and musicians Abramz and Crazy Legs. Dance party follows!

LIVE MUSIC

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Piola Restaurant: "Suenos de Insomnio," highlights of work from the recently relocated Argentinian surrealist, Marcelo Novo, through Nov. 27. 1550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-528-1502, Piola.it.

Projects 4 Gallery: "Landmarks," paintings and drawings by Beau Chamberlain, through Oct. 16. 1353 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, Project4gallery.com.

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Art Museum: "Christo and Jeanne-Claude: Remembering the Running Fence," through Sun. Permanent collection, ongoing. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, Americanart.si.edu.

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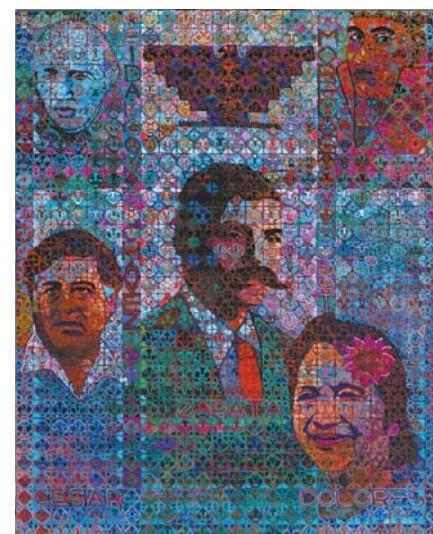
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ence/Absence," artist David Ivan Clark blurs the lines of landscape tradition with abstraction in this solo exhibition, opens Fri. through Oct. 23. 1643 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-965-4601, Callo-wayart.com.

The Textile Museum: "The Art of Living: Textile Furnishings From the Permanent Collection," through Jan. 9. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, Textile-museum.org.

Thos. Moser, D.C. Showroom:

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through Sept. 30. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565, Torpedofactory.org.

Tryst: Large- and small-scale paintings from artists Michael Hurst, through Oct. 2. 2459 18th St. NW; 202-232-5500.

Tynan Coffee and Tea: "An Adventure Through Time and Space" a Heather Levy art exhibit, through Oct. 18. 1400 Irving St. NW. Heatherlevy.com

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U.S. Botanic Garden: "Spuds Unearthed," through Oct. 11; permanent exhibitions of more than 4,000 plants and a tropical rain forest. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333, Usbg.gov.

The Walters Art Museum: "Games, Gizmos & Toys in the Attic" features early photographs, models and book illustrations by children's book author Walter Wick, opens Sun., through Jan 2. 600 N. Charles St., Baltimore; 410-547-9000, TheWalters.org.

Washington Historical Society:

"Porous Borders," exhibition of sculptures by various artists to show interconnections despite borders and boundaries, through Dec. 5. 801 K St. NW; 202-686-8696, Washingtonsculptors.org.

Woodrow Wilson House: "The Art of First Lady Elton Axson Wilson: American Impressionist," through April 10, 2011. 2340 S St. NW; 202-387-4062, Woodrowwilsonhouse.org.

Workhouse Arts Center: "Poetic Art," an exhibition inspired by muses spanning the visual and verbal, through Oct. 10. 9601 Ox Road, Lorton, Va.; 703-584-2921, Workhousearts.org.

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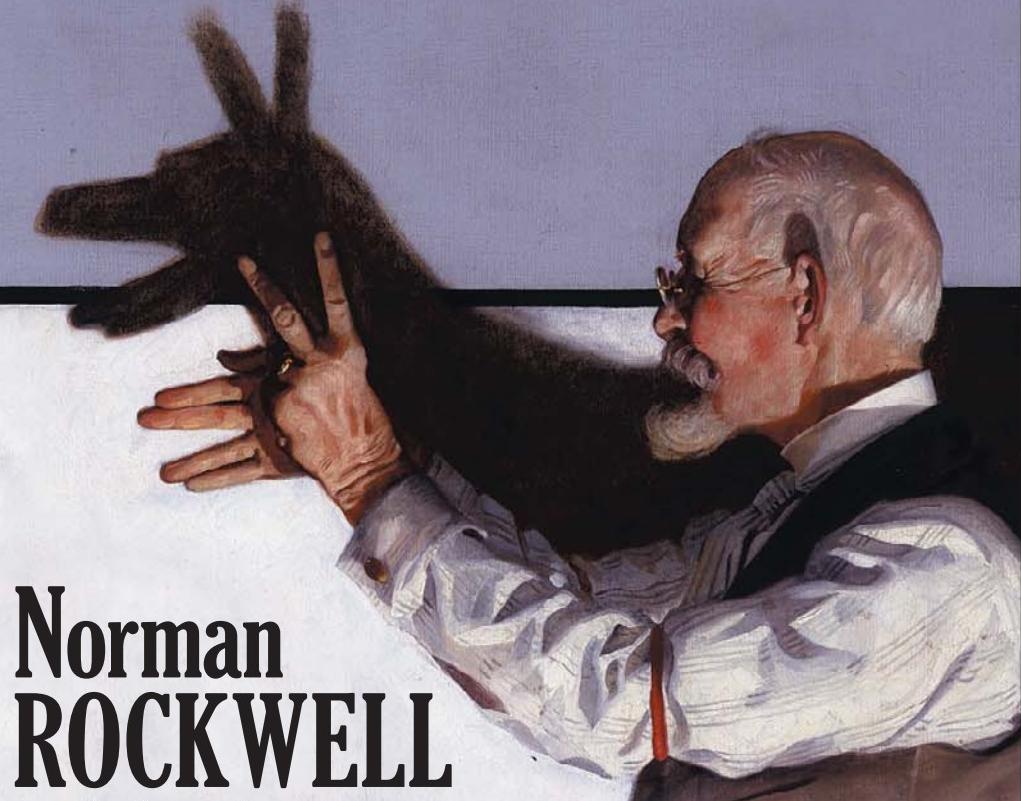
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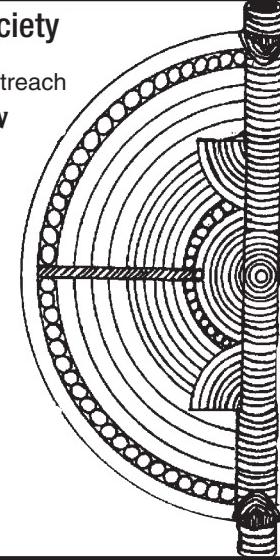
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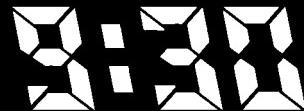


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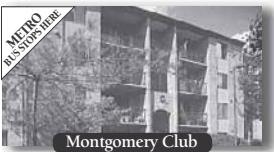
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Rose Blossoms in a New Field

A former drummer shows she can make the switch to singing

Album Review

Q: What's the last thing a drummer says in a band?

A: "Hey, let's try one of my songs."

Drummer jokes abound, and some even have a bit of truth to



Frankie Rose & The Outs

them. But Frankie Rose defies such tired guffaws. The New York native has pounded skins for Vivian Girls, Crystal Stilts and Dum Dum Girls, defining the throwback style of those bands as much as their

guitars, keyboards or vocals. Her thunderous style favors psychedelic minimalism, with little room for frills but lots of space for intuitive hard-soft dynamics.

Her self-titled debut with female backing band the Outs marks a switch from drums to guitar and vocals. Rose explores the intersections between garage, punk, psych, fuzz and girl-group pop, not simply retreading these styles but combin-

ing them in subtle ways.

Reverb bolsters Rose's vocal hooks and explodes songs like "Candy" and "Girlfriend Island" to widescreen proportions. Lyrically, she's a minimalist, working with only a few lines and melodies but treating them like mantras. This can result in some meandering arrangements, like on album opener "Hollow Life" and "Memo."

But more often, her conciseness is evocative. Rose cuts right to the deepest, thorniest, messiest emotions. Her talent is no joke.

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Advanced 'Civilization'

The history-inspired, role-playing classic gets valuable tweaks

Game Review

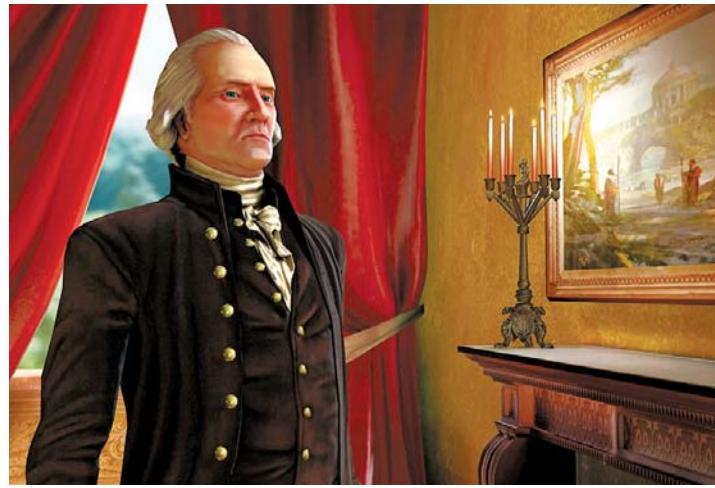
When legendary designer Sid Meier and his Firaxis Games studio produced a console version of their PC classic "Civilization" in 2008, purists howled: How dare they take one of the brainiest, most challenging games out there and dumb it down for joystick-wielding Neanderthals?

As it turns out, "Civ Lite" (or,

to use its actual title, "Civilization Revolution") was the best thing that could have happened to the 20-year-old franchise. Those who had never played got a solid, newbie-friendly introduction.

Most important, however, is that lessons learned from the streamlining of "Civ Rev" have been applied to the new PC installment, "Civilization V." If you liked the look and feel of the console version, you'll be right at home here.

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For series veterans, the most substantial gameplay change is the addition of city-states — freestanding governments with no plans to take over the world. If you help them, they'll chip in with gold or resources; mess with them, however, and they may team up against you. **LOU KESTEN (AP)**

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NBC
8:30

30 Rock With the best intentions, Jack meddles in Liz's (Tina Fey, right) promising relationship with Carol (guest star Matt Damon), but at home, he also struggles to compromise with Avery, who is redecorating his apartment. Jenna becomes the newest producer of "TGS" in the season premiere.

NBC
9:00

The Office Michael causes resentment among his staff when he refuses to fire the new office assistant, despite the fact that everyone complains about his bad attitude. Andy tries to play it cool when Erin shows interest in another guy. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



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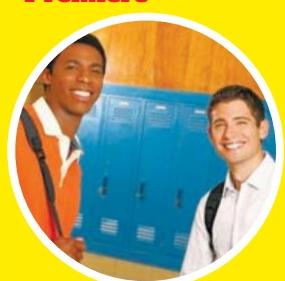
\$#! MY DAD SAYS

Shatner, Unfiltered

CBS
8:30

A sitcom based on a book inspired by a Twitter feed, "\$#! My Dad Says" stars Jonathan Sadowski as Henry, above left, a laid-off journalist reduced to borrowing money from his father, Ed (William Shatner), above right, who lacks an internal censor. While co-stars Will Sasso and Nicole Sullivan seem at home here, nobody seems to have given Shatner the memo that he's appearing on a sitcom. (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Premiere



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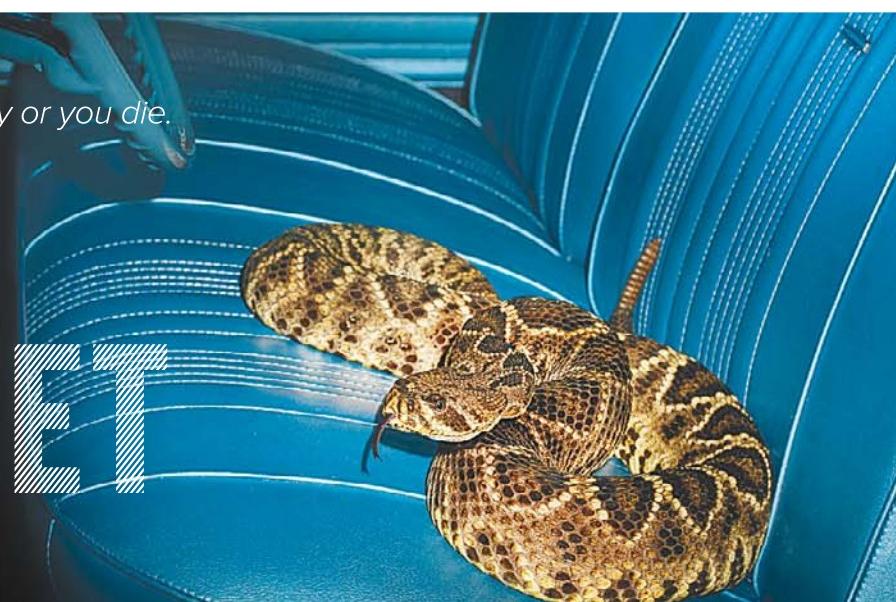
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Horoscope

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Certain issues may take on a more complicated aspect than expected, but you're in a position to address even the most difficult with ease.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Don't inadvertently get the wrong response from those you are depending on for advancement at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You're likely to be reminded of something that is best forgotten for good, but reliving the event may actually be good for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

A success is likely to be followed quickly by a qualified failure — and vice versa. You can expect such trade-offs to continue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You may not be ready to lead the way, but before you know it, others will be looking to you to do just that. Get ready.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You may respond unusually to the kinds of things that normally fail to get any reaction out of you at all. What is causing the change?

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You're seeking answers in the wrong places at this time. The secret, of course, is to be as specific as possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Being a good winner is more important than being a good loser. How you behave in triumph will send a message to a great many others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You're not usually the kind to promote yourself as aggressively as you might, but you'll have a good reason to go for it in a big way.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Are you able to spot the real thing among so many imitations? It's important to know what you're really looking for.

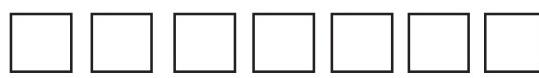
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You've told someone that you'll be able to accomplish certain things even though they are not the norm. You don't want to break your word.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You'll be reminded of something from your past that still glimmers beneath the surface, deep within the sphere of your desire.

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Yesterday's Solution

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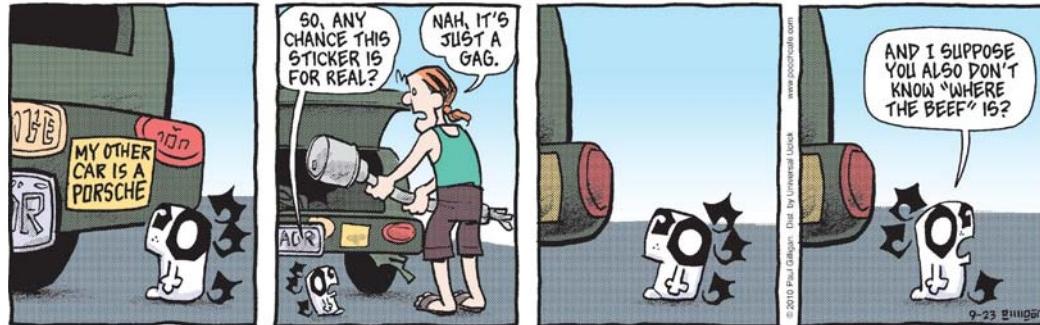
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Forecast



Today: Partly sunny, hot and humid today. Clear and warm tonight.



Tomorrow: Mostly sunny, hot and humid tomorrow. Clear and warm tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead


SAT	SUN	MON
85 61	76 62	76 63

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 6:57 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:04 p.m.
Moonrise today: 6:52 p.m.
Moonset today: 7:11 a.m.
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Normal low: 60
Record low: 39

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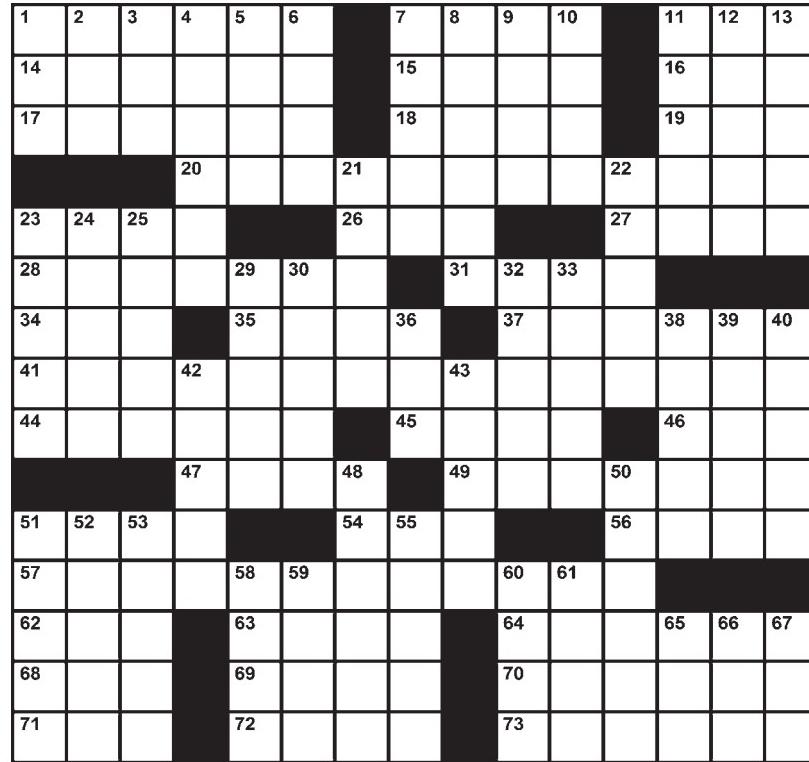
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ACROSS

- 1 Impassioned, as a plea
- 7 Cracked a bit, as a door
- 11 Alternative to JVC or Panasonic, once
- 14 Temporary property holder
- 15 ___-pattern baldness
- 16 Clerical garment
- 17 Electrical current unit
- 18 What bodybuilders pump
- 19 Something you might jump for
- 20 Actually happening
- 23 Filly's brother
- 26 "Bad call!"
- 27 "Beg pardon"
- 28 Builds, as a fortune
- 31 Tandoor-baked bread
- 34 Apprehend
- 35 Away from gusts
- 37 Lighthearted
- 41 Wild West contests
- 44 Readied for feathering?
- 45 Yard entry
- 46 The middle of dinner?
- 47 Yemen's Gulf of ___
- 49 Deerlike
- 51 Like some church matters
- 54 Whisperer's target
- 56 ___-Contra affair
- 57 Like some rejected lovers
- 62 ___ Khan
- 63 Metallic deposit
- 64 "___ Madness" (1936 anti-marijuana film)
- 68 ___ Monte (food giant)
- 69 ___ nut (caffeine source)
- 70 Scribble aimlessly
- 71 Underhandedly clever
- 72 Wine glass part
- 73 Retracts, as a statement

DOWN

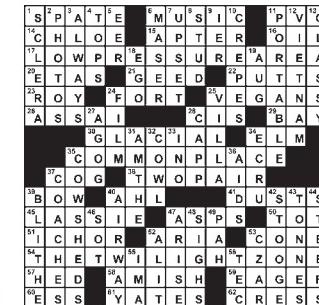
- 1 Org. many lawyers belong to
- 2 Sign of Aries
- 3 Tango maneuver
- 4 Appoints democratically
- 5 "Quo Vadis" emperor
- 6 Abound
- 7 Kind of acid found in protein
- 8 It's hard for laymen to understand
- 9 "Little Things Mean ___"
- 10 Where people ask to be hit?
- 11 Asian prince
- 12 In the vicinity
- 13 Deep cavity, poetically
- 21 "A Doll's House" author
- 22 Stampede cause
- 23 Is able to, Biblically
- 24 City in Nebraska
- 25 Delivery preceder
- 29 Far from famished
- 30 Ignore in pronunciation
- 32 Diminish in intensity
- 33 Take in, as a dress
- 36 ___ foo yung



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- 38 Possessive pronoun
- 39 Brownish dye
- 40 City of the Ruhr valley
- 42 Spinachlike plant
- 43 Computer operator's timesaver
- 48 It's difficult to find in a haystack
- 50 MTV features
- 51 Prepares a cannon
- 52 One of Charlie's crimefighters
- 53 "Boot" in the Mediterranean
- 55 Crosswise to a ship's keel
- 58 Reindeer relatives
- 59 ___ canal (dental operation)
- 60 A language of Pakistan
- 61 Vegas sign filler
- 65 U.S. drug safety org.
- 66 Bridge whiz Culbertson
- 67 "Do" followers on a musical scale

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1806

Lewis and Clark return to St. Louis more than two years after setting out for the Pacific Northwest.

1846

Neptune is identified as a planet by German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle.

1957

Nine black students who had entered Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas are forced to withdraw because of a white mob outside.

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